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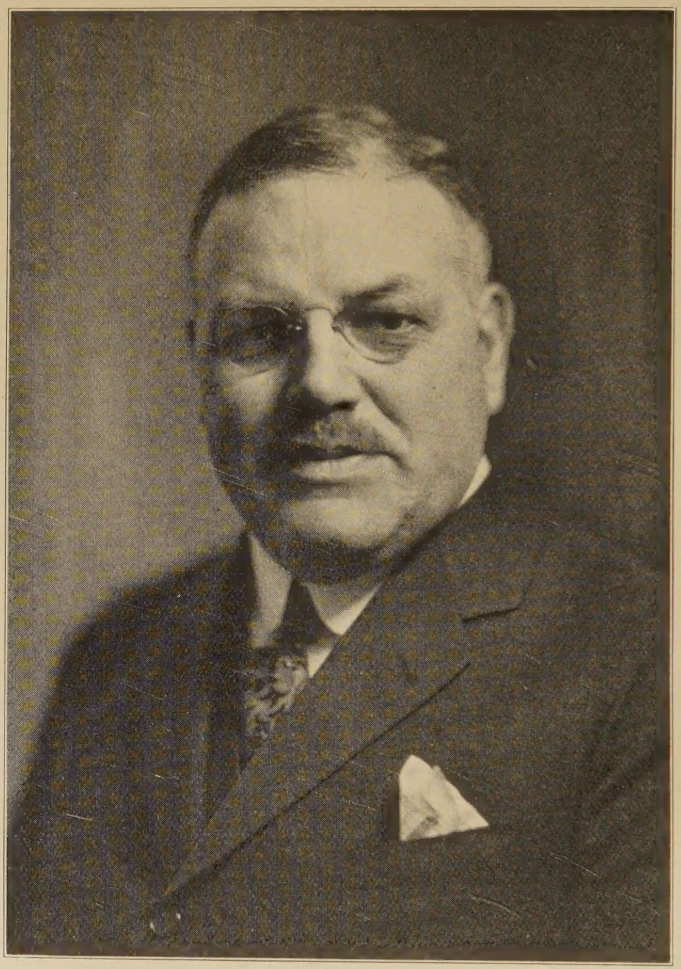

FRANK R. COATES

BIOGRAPHICAL

FRANK RAYMOND COATES

Frank R. Coates, president and general manager of The Community Traction Company, also president and general manager of The Toledo-Edison Company, has bent every energy toward making these great corporations in deed and in truth "public service" corporations. Possessing splendid administrative power, executive force and initiative, he has at all times directed the activities of these great organizations along the lines of public benefit and improvement and by reason of the signal worth of his work he is accounted one of the foremost citizens of Toledo.

Frank Raymond Coates was born on the 20th of June, 1869, in the city of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he completed his high school course and afterward entered Lehigh University, receiving his Bachelor of Science degree with the class of 1890. On that occasion he represented the mining class as a speaker and after pursuing his postgraduate course he was accorded the degree of Engineer of Mines in 1891. He not only made excellent record in his studies but for two years was captain of the track team at Lehigh and for two seasons was manager of the baseball team. He was also one of the valuable members of the football team and for two years occupied the presidency of the Lehigh University Athletic Association. He was made chairman of the executive committee of the Pennsylvania Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association and for two years was vice president of the American Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association, being the acting president during the last year. It is said that he still holds the Lehigh record for the mile walk and that he is the possessor of an almost innumerable lot of medals won in his various athletic contests. Never has he ceased to feel a keen interest in athletic sports and in Toledo he has done much to stimulate activities and promote standards in this connection. He organized the famous Rail-Light Nine in Toledo to give the city a representative baseball team and he has also encouraged the organization and maintenance of athletic teams drawn from the employes of the company in all the different branches of the sport. This, however, has been incidental to the great purposes and plans of his life in connection with the management of business affairs.

After completing his postgraduate work in Lehigh University, Mr. Coates started out in the business world as rodman with the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad in July, 1891. He also acted as transit man with the engineering corps and in 1892 he was advanced to the position of supervisor of the Wheeling division of that road. Promotion came to him again in May, 1893, when he was made assistant roadmaster of the New York division of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, and in December, 1895, he became roadmaster of that division, having charge of maintenance and the four-track construction. Each step in his business career has been a forward one, bringing to him a wider outlook and broader opportunities, and these opportunities he has never failed to utilize to the advancement of his own business career and the promotion of the interests under his directions. His progress has been made wholly as the result of merit and capability. He left the east in October, 1900, to become chief engineer of the

Chicago & Great Western Railroad, with headquarters at St. Paul, Minnesota, a position which he occupied until 1904, when he entered the engineering and construction business, building bridges, electric railways and hydro-electric plants, spending a two-year period prior to October, 1909, in connection with the Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation, with headquarters at Boston. In October, 1909, he was elected to the vice presidency of the Inter Ocean Steel Company, with offices in Chicago, and so continued until December, 1911.

It was the latter year that witnessed Mr. Coates' arrival in Toledo, to which city he came for the purpose of taking charge of the Toledo Railways & Light Company as president. In April, 1913, this property was acquired by Henry L. Doherty & Company, since which time Mr. Coates has given his time to the Doherty interests. In 1922 he was elected to the directorate of the Cities Service Company and much of his time is now spent in New York city. A contemporary biographer has said of Mr. Coates: "Like other high executives in the Doherty organization, Mr. Coates is never too busy to render a decision or pass upon any matter which may be placed before him, in addition to receiving and interviewing throughout the day a steady stream of visiting officials from subsidiary companies and other business callers."

The base of the creed adopted by Frank R. Coates might be summed up as, "May mine be a philosopher's life." Among other reasons for Mr. Coates' unusual progress are his "Ten Rules for Success," which have received wide publication, and are worthy of close study by the ambitious young men of the Doherty organization. Some of them follow: "A kind word quietly spoken will make friends." "In public utility service one should take the public into his confidence, laying all the cards on the table face up." "Every person is human and likely to err; be patient in your dealings with everyone." "A corporation office should be devoid of red tape; the company's representative should always keep his door open to the public." "Do not make promises that cannot be kept."

Mr. Coates was married on April 25, 1894, at Bridgeport, Connecticut, to Miss Julia Bullock Lineburgh of that city, and they have one daughter, Helen A.

Mr. Coates has membership in Egbert Camp of the Spanish War Veterans, being eligible thereto from the fact that he served as regimental adjutant in the Fourth Connecticut Regiment in the Spanish-American war, although not called out for active field service. As one of the leading railway engineers of the country he has many professional and social connections. He belongs to the New York Railroad Club, the Western Railroad Club, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Railway Engineering Association, the American Electric Railway Association, the National Electric Light Association, the Engineers Club of New York and the Engineers Club of Chicago. He is likewise identified with the Whitehall, New York Atlantic, Bankers, Reform, Metropolitan and Recess clubs, of New York, and with the Chicago Athletic Association and the Chicago Club. In Toledo he has membership in the Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club, of which he has served as a director, the Toledo Club, of which he has been vice president, the Country Club, the Transportation Club, the Auto Club, the Inverness Golf Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, the Maumee River Yacht Club and is likewise a member of the Museum of Art, of the Toledo Zoological Society, of which he has served as president, and of the Young Men's Christian Association. He is also a member of the National Geographic Society, a trustee of the Newsboys' Association, and he is keenly interested in all of those forces which have for their object the safeguarding of the youth of the country and the

development of higher standards among the boys of the land. He has closely studied many of the important economic and sociological problems before the country today and his influence is always on the side of advancement and improvement. Toledo regarded him as a valuable addition to her citizenship when he cast in his lot here and in the decade or more that has since passed public opinion has found its justification in what he has done for the city and its improvement.

CHARLES A. PECKHAM

For more than a half century the name of Peckham has been a prominent one in business circles of Toledo, and Charles A. Peckham, who represents the third generation of the family in this city, is also contributing in substantial measure to its commercial development and prosperity as president of the Toledo Bridge & Crane Company, conducting one of the largest productive industries of the Maumee valley. He was born in Monroe, Michigan, December 16, 1869, and his parents were E. W. and Sophia (Hill) Peckham, the former a native of Utica, New York, while the latter was born on Summit street in this city. The father was an honored veteran of the Civil war, serving throughout that conflict as sergeant of a company of volunteers from New York, and after receiving his discharge he came to this city. For many years he was associated in business with his father, who was the founder of the Toledo Saw Company, and they became the owners of one of the most important industries of this section of the state. Both Mr. and Mrs. Peckham passed away in this city, leaving three children: Charles A., Mary Louise and Mrs. Fred E. Pile, all residents of Toledo.

Charles A. Peckham attended the public schools until he reached the age of thirteen and then started out in the business world, entering the employ of the B. F. Wade Company, with which he remained for eight years, learning the printer's trade while in their service. He next joined the Toledo Bridge & Crane Company as assistant secretary, while later he was made secretary of the firm in which he became a partner in 1905, while he is now filling the office of president. The business has been sold to the Austin Machine Corporation, which is now operating the plant, making machinery for road building. Mr. Peckham possesses the initiative, poise, broad vision and administrative powers necessary for the successful control of interests of magnitude and has labored effectively to broaden the scope of the concern, whose buildings now cover twenty-five acres of ground, while its employes number four hundred. Other business interests also claim the attention of Mr. Peckham, who is likewise serving as president of the L. F. Burdick Company of this city and a director of the Northern National Bank of Toledo.

On the 6th of September, 1893, Mr. Peckham was united in marriage to Miss Celia Bird Burdick, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leander Burdick, prominent residents of this city. He is a member of Trinity Episcopal church, of which he is one of the vestrymen, and in his political views he is independent, reserving the right to vote according to the dictates of his judgment. His social nature finds expression in his membership with the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club and the Toledo Yacht Club, of which he is commodore. From early boyhood his life has been one of unremitting industry and his is the record of a self-made man whose success has been won through merit and ability. Mr. Peckham is a worthy

representative of one of the old and highly respected families of Toledo and is loyal to all those interests which make for honorable manhood and progressive citizenship.

EDWARD FORD

Starting out as clerk on a river steamboat, Edward Ford advanced from his initial position in the business world to rank with the captains of American industry. He was the founder and promoter of the Edward Ford Plate Glass Company, controlling one of the largest enterprises of this character in the United States and continuing as the executive head of the business to the time of his death in 1920. He was a western man by birth and training and possessed the spirit of marked enterprise and progress which has ever been a dominant factor in the rapid and substantial upbuilding of the Mississippi valley. Born in Greenville, Floyd county, Indiana, January 21, 1843, he was the sixth in order of birth in a family of seven children, five sons and two daughters, whose parents were John Baptiste and Mary (Bower) Ford. The former was a son of Jonathan and Margaret (Baptiste) Ford and Margaret Baptiste was a daughter of John and Margaret (Schuck) Baptiste, who were married near Danville, Kentucky. The family is of French lineage, John Baptiste coming from France to the new world and casting in his lot with the pioneer settlers of Kentucky, where he introduced grape culture.

John B. Ford learned the trade of saddler and shipbuilder at New Albany, Indiana, and devoted several years to that line of work, after which he became interested in glass manufacture and organized the Star Glass Company at New Albany. About fifteen years prior to his death he established his home in Creighton, Pennsylvania, where he passed away at the very venerable age of ninety-one years. His wife also departed this life in Creighton.

Edward Ford spent his youthful days largely in New Albany, Indiana, where he attended the public schools, later pursuing a course in the Bryant & Stratton Commercial College at Indianapolis. He first provided for his own support as a clerk on a steamboat plying between Louisville, Kentucky, and New Orleans, Louisiana, and for several years followed the river. He then became interested in glass manufacturing in connection with his father, remaining with the Star Glass Company of New Albany until 1873, when he removed to Columbus, Ohio, and there established the Columbus Window Glass Company, with which he was associated for about three years. On the expiration of that period he erected a plant for the Jeffersonville Plate Glass Company at Jeffersonville, Indiana, concentrating his entire attention at that time upon the plate glass industry, of which his father has been known as the founder. After five years he joined his father at Creighton, Pennsylvania, where he established plate glass works under the name of the New York Plate Glass Company, while later the business was carried on under the name of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company. For thirteen years Mr. Ford was actively identified with the business as president and manager, but in 1897 sold out and removed to Wyandotte, Michigan, where he became connected with the alkali works owned by his father. He dated his residence in Toledo from 1898, at which time he organized the Edward Ford Plate Glass Company and developed the largest industry of this kind in the United States. The factory at

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Rossford covers thirty-five acres, all under roof, and is equipped with the most modern machinery and appliances for turning out large quantities of the finest plate glass. Employment was given sixteen hundred men and Mr. Ford remained the active head of the business to the time of his demise. The enterprise which he established is one of the foremost productive industries of Ohio and remains as a monument to the progressiveness and business ability of the founder. Mr. Ford also erected in Detroit, Michigan, a white glazed brick office building, nineteen stories in height, known as the Ford building, and later erected the Dime Bank building in that city and he became closely associated with various interests and activities of Toledo. He was one of the directors of the Second National Bank and also one of the trustees of the Chamber of Commerce.

In 1861 Edward Ford was married to Miss Evelyn C. Penn, who passed away in 1870, leaving two children: Mrs. M. R. Bacon, now living in Wyandotte, Michigan; and John B., of Detroit, president of the Michigan Alkali Company. In 1872 Mr. Ford married Miss Carrie J. Ross of Zanesville, Ohio, and they became parents of two daughters and a son: Mrs. George P. MacNichol, Mrs. W. W. Knight and George Ross, all of Toledo. Mr. Ford belonged to the Presbyterian church and while residing at New Albany, Indiana, became a member of the Masonic fraternity and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His political allegiance was always given to the republican party. He was well known in club circles, becoming a leading member of the Toledo Yacht Club, in which he held the rank of rear commodore. In the spring of 1909 he built a fine steam yacht, one of the largest and best ever owned by a member of the Toledo Club. Mr. Ford also belonged to the Toledo, the Country and the Middle Bass clubs and his business success enabled him in his later years to indulge his love of fishing and other sports. He was a man strong and purposeful, whose determination enabled him to accomplish whatever he undertook and his indefatigable energy declined no call to labor or service. Starting out in early manhood in connection with the plate glass industry when the business was in its infancy, he at all times kept abreast with the progress made and, in fact, was a recognized leader in improving methods and in advancing standards of manufacture. He knew the business thoroughly in principle and detail and today the town of Rossford stands as a monument to his enterprise, for it was there that he founded his plate glass plant and developed a manufacturing concern that employed hundreds of people who established their homes in the town of Rossford and directed their activities along lines which resulted in the material, intellectual, social and moral progress of the community. Back of all this Mr. Ford was a directing spirit and at all times he manifested a kindly and helpful interest in the work of public improvement that made his labors far-reaching and resultant.

HARRY MITCHELL KELSEY

Harry Mitchell Kelsey has for the past forty-five years been identified with the hardware trade in the interests of The Bostwick-Braun Company of Toledo, the service of which he entered as an office boy, working his way steadily upward to his present important position of executive control as treasurer of the corporation. Toledo gladly numbers him among her worthy native sons, his birth having occurred on the 13th of April, 1859. His early American ancestors resided in

Massachusetts and in Maine, while his parents, Joel W. and Mary Jane Kelsey, became pioneer residents of Lucas county, Ohio. The father, a farmer and lumberman who was also connected with the pork packing industry, won prominence in public affairs and for one term filled the position of county treasurer.

Harry M. Kelsey completed a course in the Toledo high school by graduation with the class of 1877 and on the 14th of January of the following year entered the employ of The Bostwick-Braun Company in the capacity of office boy. At the end of five years he was sent out on the road as a salesman, thus representing the concern for three years, while subsequently he was chosen to his present responsible position of treasurer. No higher testimonial of his capability and efficiency could be given than the fact that he has been made an executive of the corporation with which he first became identified in a most humble capacity, and his well-directed efforts have been no small factor in the continued growth and success of the business.

On the 11th of June, 1884, in Toledo, Mr. Kelsey was united in marriage to Miss Eleanor Louise Kline, a daughter of William and Martha S. Kline. Her father was for several years superintendent of telegraph for the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad Company. Mr. and Mrs. Kelsey became the parents of a son and two daughters, namely: William Kline, who wedded Miss Gladys S. Hatt; Florence, who became the wife of Frederick T. Lawton; and Eloise, who gave her hand in marriage to Howard L. Barkdull.

In his political views Mr. Kelsey is a stanch republican, while his religious faith is that of the Unitarian church. He is a popular member of the Toledo Club, also belongs to the Royal Arcanum and for nine years served as financial secretary of Ideal Council of the National Union. He enjoys an extensive and favorable acquaintance in the community which has always been his home and has long been numbered among the substantial and representative business men of Toledo.

SPENCER D. CARR

In the demise of Spencer D. Carr, which occurred December 24, 1922, Toledo lost the dean of her bankers and a man who was honored, loved and respected by all. He was at the time of his death chairman of the board of directors of the Commerce-Guardian Trust & Savings Bank and for a period covering considerably more than a half century he figured prominently in connection with the material upbuilding and business advancement of the city. He was spoken of as Toledo's best beloved citizen and as the "grand old man of Toledo." His birth occurred at Chapinsville, New York, on the 24th of January, 1847, and in the acquirement of an education he attended the district school to the age of seventeen years, when he enlisted with the Union forces for service in the Civil war. When hostilities had ceased he returned to New York and there began his business career but in October, 1868, came to Toledo, being then a young man of twenty-one years.

No special event or occurrence seemed to foretell what the future had in store for Spencer D. Carr, unless at that period one had analyzed the young man, finding that his salient characteristics were diligence, persistency of purpose and a commendable ambition. His first employment in Toledo was with the firm of

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Warriner, Patrick & Company, which he represented for seven years, beginning as bookkeeper. He left the firm on the 1st of October, 1875, to become bookkeeper in the First National Bank and this constituted the initial step toward his steady and continuous advancement in the financial and banking circles of Ohio. For seventeen years he remained with the First National Bank, winning promotion from time to time until he had become vice president, his powers developing with the continued growth of this large institution. He then organized and became president of the Ketcham National Bank and later, through the reorganization as the National Bank of Commerce, he accepted the vice presidency in the new institution. At the annual meeting of the directors in 1894 he was elected to the presidency and so continued until 1920, when the institution combined with the Guardian Trust & Savings Bank to form the Commerce-Guardian Trust & Savings Bank, Mr. Carr becoming chairman of the board of directors. Under his wise guidance the bank business steadily grew and at all times his progressiveness was tempered by a wise conservatism that most fully safeguarded the interests of depositors and stockholders alike. In the conduct of the affairs of the bank he showed ready discrimination between the essential and the non-essential and he made the institution a most potent force in the material and commercial development of the city. The name of Mr. Carr on the list of stockholders of any business enterprise would insure for it a large following, and extending his efforts beyond the pale of banking, he became the treasurer of the Toledo Rail-Light Company and president of the Toledo Steel Casting Company.

The board of directors of the Commerce-Guardian Trust & Savings Bank adopted resolutions of appreciation of Mr. Carr, the "dean of Toledo bankers," in which this tribute to his memory was recorded: "In formulating and placing on record its tribute to Mr. Carr, this board is doing, indeed, its formal duty. But it is doing something more—and something different. For no formal phrases can quite express our recognition and appreciation of the relations in which Mr. Carr has stood to this bank, to its officers, to its employes, to its patrons and to the public. It is rather a high privilege to endeavor to express and place on permanent record our sense of loss. First of all should be mentioned his loyalty to the banking interests with which he has been entrusted. He seemed to have had from the beginning an idea in his mind that a bank was in some sense and in the best sense of the word a public utility. He did not, indeed, formulate this idea in words, for he was not given to phrase-making, but it was in line with his character and it entered into all his relations with the bank and through it with the business world of Toledo. He served the banks with which he was connected well and loyally. And these banks through him have helped to sustain, foster and promote the best interests of the city. He had a sort of philosophy of banking, resting not so much upon any thought-out theory on his part as upon a certain large kindliness of nature which was felt by all with whom he came into contact. His was indeed the philosophy of '— the larger heart, the kindlier hand.' Next must be mentioned his relations with his fellow officers. They know best how much they are indebted to him for counsel and advice in all important matters, and they know the value of his long and peculiarly intimate knowledge of business conditions and business men in Toledo; and best of all they know the kindly consideration on his part which entered into all their intercourse with him. The employes of the bank will miss him sorely. His personal acquaintance with them all—his cheerful daily greetings—his real interest in them—all these helped

to lighten and brighten their daily tasks. They all loved Mr. Carr. By his death this bank has lost a valued servant and a wise and loyal counselor and all its officers and employes have lost a near and dear friend. We gladly place in our records this slight tribute of our affection and expression of our sense of a loss which cannot be replaced."

Mr. Carr was married, in 1871, to Miss Martha Louise Richards, and their only son is William C. Carr, vice president of the Second National Bank. Spencer D. Carr belonged to the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club, and the Toledo Yacht Club, while fraternally he was identified with Sanford L. Collins Lodge, F. & A. M. His interest in beneficial agencies looking to the uplift of the individual and the betterment of the community at large was shown by his active cooperation in the Young Men's Christian Association and the Toledo Newsboys' Association. He was an attendant and supporter of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church. He was ever ready to extend a helping hand where assistance was needed along the line of any good work done in the name of charity or religion. He ever judged his fellowmen not by the standard of wealth but of worth and he numbered his friends among young and old, rich and poor, all being proud to be classed in the circle of his friendship. His death was sincerely mourned throughout the city. The following editorial appeared in the Toledo Times:

"Over the Christmas spirit, reigning today in the business world of Toledo, there comes a cloud. The passing of S. D. Carr, whose death is chronicled elsewhere in this issue, will bring sadness to the homes of many of Toledo's most prominent citizens. For Mr. Carr had a host of friends. He was rich in the love, esteem and respect of his fellowmen. His career was built on service to others and the success which he achieved could not be measured in dollars and cents. It was above a monetary valuation. In going he has left in the hearts of his friends and associates a feeling of distinct loss. They know they have lost a friend. The entire business life of the city may well pause and pay a tribute of respect to the memory of Spencer D. Carr. It will indeed be a tribute of something more than respect, something perhaps better and very certainly rarer —a tribute of real affection such as comes to very few men. It was fortunate that the many friends and admirers of Mr. Carr could show him during the closing year of his life evidence of their high esteem for him. Less than twelve months ago a dinner was given in his honor, attended by the leading business men of the city. It was their sincere effort to pay to him as high a compliment in words and actions as it was within their power to do so. Higher tributes could have been paid no man than were accorded Mr. Carr upon this occasion. An editorial that was written at that time in appreciation of his service for Toledo is herewith reproduced as a final tribute to the late dean of Toledo bankers: 'The career of Spencer D. Carr is conclusive evidence that unpropitious early conditions of fortune and circumstance are spurs, rather than handicaps, to the man of broad vision, self-reliant initiative and sound business judgment. From the position of bookkeeper in the First National Bank he has won his way to the top in his chosen profession. He is now chairman of the board of directors of the Commerce-Guardian Trust & Savings Bank of this city. As a boy he came to Toledo penniless and friendless. Hard work and high principles have carried him from the bottom rung to affluence and leadership. Loyal service to those who placed their trust in him is the corner stone upon which Mr. Carr has builded his success. The banking business has meant something more to him than mere money making. To elevate it above the plane that seeks profit only has been his

constant effort. He attached to the bank a duty of promoting the industrial development and healthy growth of Toledo. He sought to make it a real asset to the community in general. It was a part of his creed to extend the helping hand in the hour of greatest need. Many of the leading firms owe their present success to the judicious and generous attitude of this banker. His paternal interest in their welfare, during days of struggling infancy, was the beacon light which kept them off the rocks of financial ruin. Toward the individual he adopted the same course. His kindly advice and wise counsel have proven of inestimable value to many business men with whom he has come into contact. His influence has helped to lead them toward the goal of success. This is especially true of his own employes. There are numbers of officials now occupying positions in Toledo's banking institutions who owe their status to the early training they received from Mr. Carr.' "

BERNARD A. BAKER

Bernard A. Baker has been identified with business interests of Toledo for more than two decades and he is numbered among the leading produce merchants of the city, being president of the M. O. Baker Company, which is conducting a business of large proportions. A native of Canada, he was born in the province of Nova Scotia, November 5, 1880, and his parents, James E. and Lucille (Downey) Baker, were also natives of that province, in which they spent their lives, the father devoting his attention to agricultural pursuits. In their family were three children: Harry W. and Ruman S., who still reside in Nova Scotia; and Bernard A.

In the public schools of his native province Bernard A. Baker acquired his education and in 1901 he came to Toledo to join his half-brother, M. O. Baker, who had established his home in this city several years previously and had entered the wholesale fruit and produce business, organizing the M. O. Baker Company. The business was incorporated in 1917, M. O. Baker becoming president, so serving until 1920, when he disposed of his interest to Bernard A. Baker, who became president, while Walter C. Reber is filling the office of vice president, with Norman L. Crawfis as the secretary and treasurer. Mr. Baker keeps well informed on everything relating to his line of business and under his judicious management the undertaking has enjoyed a rapid growth. They handle general produce and are large distributors of California and Florida fruits, the volume of their trade now being equal to that of any of their competitors in the city.

On the 22d of August, 1907, Mr. Baker was married to Miss Mabel M. Creswell, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Creswell of Toledo, and they have become the parents of two children: James, who was born in 1909; and Catherine, born in 1911. Both are attending the public schools of the city. Mr. Baker is a republican in his political views and through his connection with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce he does all in his power to promote the industrial interests of the city. He is a member of the International Apple Shippers Association, the National League of Commission Merchants of the United States, the Sylvania Golf Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. Fraternally he is a Knights Templar Mason and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. In the control of his business interests he is forceful, energetic and determined and he has ever been actuated by a strong purpose that will not permit him to stop short of the successful accomplishment of

anything he undertakes. His progressive spirit and close conformity to a high standard of commercial ethics have established his position among the leading business men of Toledo and in matters of citizenship he is loyal and public-spirited.

JOHN NORTH WILLYS

John North Willys, president and founder of the Willys-Overland Company, is probably one of the most astute of the country's financiers and to him belongs the credit of the upbuilding of one of the largest automobile companies in America.

John North Willys was born in 1873, in Canandaigua, New York. Since a boy he was fond of doing little business deals with his companions. At the age when the average boy leaves the nursery he had passed through many kinds of business experiences. He was doing well in his studies and working in a law office when his father died and he had to give up his college dreams. Bicycles were beginning to make their appearance and he saw in them a profitable outlet for his ingenuity as a salesman. He bought a sample bicycle and was duly authorized as a local agent for the manufacturers and at eighteen years of age he had organized a sales company. Gradually he worked into the wholesale distribution of bicycles and at the age of twenty-five did a business of five hundred thousand dollars a year. Then came the automobile and Mr. Willys early foresaw the predestined future of the motor car.

First, there was that determination of the pioneer, who could vision ahead the concrete result of certain well defined dreams. Second, there was that quality of set purpose that characterizes only an isolated type of idealist. The idealist, the man of action and the man of keen business acumen were all successfully combined in John N. Willys, who always maintained that the automobile was a creation of service—a means to an end, which was economical, dependable transportation that the public could appreciate. Mr. Willys conceived the idea of a national distribution of automobiles. So in 1906 he formed the American Motor Car Sales Company and approached D. M. Parry, who controlled the Overland Automobile Company, with a proposition for Willys to take over the sole agency in the United States for the Overland company. Parry was amazed and thought to dissuade Willys by the statement that he expected to make five hundred cars that year. But Willys was equally certain that he could sell five hundred cars and entered into a binding contract with Parry to pay for five hundred automobiles a year. Willys then set out on a tour of the country, establishing agencies, and it was not very long before his allotment of five hundred cars was gone. He immediately wired to the company that he needed more cars to fill the orders he had already booked. This was in 1907 and things had not been going so well at the factory. It was the time of the money panic and Willys was amazed to receive a return wire, stating that the company would have difficulty in filling the orders he had already booked and that he was to accept no more orders.

Scenting a jam in Indianapolis, he took the next train west, and when he asked for an explanation from the manager he was blandly told that the concern was going into bankruptcy the following day. Willys promptly and emphatically disagreed and was told by the manager that the situation was absolutely hopeless. The company had issued checks to its workmen and would not have sufficient funds in the bank to meet them Monday morning. This information was given to Willys

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on Sunday. With less than twenty-four hours to save himself and the company, Willys started to work. The company was short three hundred and fifty dollars, but so far as its officers and management were concerned, it might have been three hundred and fifty thousand dollars. This amount, which Mr. Willys raised, averted the threatened Monday morning calamity, but it did not entirely revive the condition of the company. More money was required and for five weeks Mr. Willys made frantic journeys here and there, gathering together small sums necessary to keep alive the spirit of industry in a sheet-iron shed three hundred feet long by eighty feet wide.

Machinery was worn, material was short, and the days were dark; only by superhuman determined effort did John Willys keep the working force supplied with the material and parts to continue turning out cars.

The situation was this: The Overland company owed eighty thousand dollars and did not have eighty dollars to call its own.

Affairs were desperate, when a friend came forward with fifteen thousand dollars, which later was cut to seven thousand five hundred dollars, and with this amount Mr. Willys started in to revolutionize the organization, put it on its feet and make cars in numbers hitherto unheard of, and within eight years he was offered eighty million dollars for his share in the company.

In January, 1908, John N. Willys became president, treasurer, general manager, sales manager and in fact, the "whole works" of the organized concern. By September of the same year four hundred and sixty-five cars had been sold at one thousand, two hundred dollars each, and delivered.

A profit of fifty-eight thousand dollars was shown that year and in the following year the company produced four thousand and sixty-five cars and made a million dollars. It was about this time that the plant was moved to Toledo. From then on, while the Willys-Overland Company has weathered some storms, like most large companies have, the growth of the organization has been nothing short of phenomenal. In 1908 the Willys-Overland plant comprised three hundred thousand square feet of floor space. Today it includes four million, two hundred and thirty-two thousand, four hundred and thirty-six square feet, or an equivalent of one hundred and twenty acres, entirely under roof. This means that the plant has been enlarged to almost fifteen times its original size through public appreciation of its popular models.

During this expansion John N. Willys has stood out distinctly as the guiding figure in the destinies of the company, which today is one of the outstanding successes of the motor industry. It has been a hard, persistent fight, fought by a man who does not know how to quit, and out of the vast business experience accumulated by Mr. Willys a maxim was evolved, that is perhaps entitled to a place among famous business precepts. It is this: "Profits are in goods delivered —not in orders."

Back in August, 1908, the Overland Company inventory showed a net worth of fifty-eight thousand dollars and some years later Mr. Willys was asked what he considered the biggest thing he had ever accomplished and he replied: "Making a million dollars in one year on a capital of fifty thousand dollars." And it was a big thing; big in every sense of the word. It was achieved only by continually moving and today the Willys-Overland Company is in the midst of the biggest year in its history.

Mr. Willys was the first manufacturer to apply the Knight motor to a low-priced car and up to the time he adopted the sleeve valve engine it had been in use

in only the higher priced automobiles. Like all big men Mr. Willys is free, unaffected, democratic. He is boyish and enthusiastic, and the huge financial problems with which he has had to contend in recent years have not dimmed his ardor.

He works. The story is told that he was in Europe when the war broke out, and before he got back to America he had seized the opportunity to book orders for a large number of motor trucks. Another phase of every successful financier—he must be an opportunist.

Willys is in every way a big man. He is big enough to be on a close friendly footing with his humblest employe. He is loved by every one of the thousands in the big Willys-Overland organization at Toledo, a tribute to his democratic ways and manners. He occasionally finds time to steal away and let the big Willys-Overland organization run itself.

Perhaps you wonder what is his philosophy of life. Only a short time ago it was revealed over his own signature. He said:

"The older we grow the more certain we realize, I think, that the greatest blessing in life, outside of good health, is work.

"The one thing above everything else that makes America great is that tremendous appeal of opportunity which this country offers, to call out from every individual the best work that is in him.

"The boy who starts out blessed with parents who can teach him the importance of industry has a source of wealth and happiness which nothing can take away from him.

"When a boy is growing, both mentally and physically, he is very apt not to realize the satisfaction of being able to do one thing well, and many boys drift from one thing to another without learning that one fundamental truth.

"Every boy should have some responsibility as early in life as possible, and he should be taught the wonderful truth of Disraeli's comment that, 'The secret of success is constancy of purpose.' "

CLARENCE BROWN

Clarence Brown, whose entire career reflected credit and honor upon the bar of Ohio during the long years of his practice in Toledo, was born in Massillon, Ohio, February 17, 1852, and was a son of Isaac H. and Elizabeth (Wheeler) Brown. He received his early education in the public schools of his native city and at the age of twenty years began the study of law in the offices of Scribner & Hurd at Toledo. Two years later he was admitted to the bar and then began, in 1874, the practice of law in this city, continuing as a distinguished and representative member of the bar here to the time of his death, which occurred July 30, 1918.

In the year 1879 Mr. Brown was married to Miss Carrie Luce, a daughter of the late Hon. Charles L. Luce of Toledo, who survives him.

Mr. Brown was frequently called to public office in connection with the profession. He served for four years, from 1875 until 1879, as assistant city solicitor under Hon. Frank Hurd and General J. Kent Hamilton, successively. In 1881 he was elected city solicitor and made a most creditable record in that position, faithfully defending the interests of the municipality in every way. For several years he was lecturer upon medical jurisprudence in the Northwestern Ohio

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Medical College and proved a most capable educator through the readiness and clearness with which he imparted to others the knowledge that he had acquired. A brilliant and illuminating orator, a keen logician, an effective persuader and therefore a leader; imbued with high ideals, a most vigorous hater of shams and hypocrisies, and a consummate master of every subject upon which he consented to speak, he was in great demand for addresses and arguments upon a vast variety of topics.

Mr. Brown was an eminently accomplished and successful advocate, an expert examiner and a master of cross-examination. Having a thorough knowledge of his own case and an instant appreciation of every weak development in that of his adversary, his conduct of a trial was always masterly and his arguments, whether to judge or jury, were splendidly effective. He often boldly disregarded conventional methods, as when in a crim. con. trial, in which he represented the plaintiff, he called as his first witness and at great length examined the defendant himself, an innovation amply justified by the result.

In 1885 Mr. Brown was retained as counsel for a committee of bondholders, who thereafter purchased what has since been familiarly known as the Clover Leaf Railroad, extending from Toledo to St. Louis, and from that time until his death he was the general solicitor of the successive corporations owning and general counsel for the receivers operating that railway. In such capacities he conducted, to the entire satisfaction of his clients, a vast variety of involved litigation. His logical mind, profound knowledge of legal principles and instant application of them to novel conditions, made him singularly happy in making first impressions. Such actions, of vital importance, arose in the construction of the Manufacturers and Toledo Terminal Railways, in the acquisition by the Hocking Valley Railroad of extensive terminals in East Toledo, and in contests over property rights in subterranean streams, and over the powers of a municipality to build lines for piping natural gas from productive fields and to assess upon abutting properties the damages awarded its owners, either upon a change of a street grade or for opening and extending a street. Some of such actions received very wide attention and brought from attorneys in different parts of the country many requests for Mr. Brown's briefs.

It was, however, as counsel that Mr. Brown achieved his greatest though less conspicuous success. During his later years he appeared very rarely in the courts. He was a safe and sane adviser, keeping clients out of litigation. Moreover, he had executive and financial ability of a very high order. At the time of his demise he was president of The Owens Bottle Machine Company and president of the Toledo Times Publishing Company. He was also vice president of the Toledo Glass Company, the Libbey-Owens Sheet Glass Company and the Owens European Bottle-Machine Company, as well as a director of the Hocking Valley Railway and also of the Ohio State Telephone Company. Outside of the domain of business Mr. Brown had many and varied interests. He was a trustee of the Toledo Museum of Art, a member of the advisory committee of the Toledo Hospital, a director of the Castalia Trout Club and the Toledo Riding Club and a member of many other clubs, including the Toledo, Toledo Country, Commerce and Yacht clubs, the Columbus Club and the Ottawa Shooting Club.

An active member of the republican party, he served as one of the early presidents of the Ohio League and was a delegate to the republican national convention in 1888. Mr. Brown traveled extensively throughout the United States, Europe

and South America. His favorite sport was fishing and he was often active at the Castalia Trout Club and fished many trout streams. He was one of three lessees of a salmon stream in eastern Quebec, visiting it each year for a few weeks, and he also made annual trips to Florida for tarpon fishing.

He contributed largely, often in the name of others and often anonymously, to public and private charities. The wide scope of his sympathies is to some extent indicated by his will, in which, after making ample provision for Mrs. Brown, he bequeathed sums ranging from five hundred to fifty thousand dollars to thirty-six individuals, including relatives, partners, friends and employes, and the residue of his estate, estimated at one million dollars, in trust, the income to be paid to Mrs. Brown during her lifetime and the capital to be, after her death, paid in various proportions to the Toledo, St. Vincent's, Mercy, Maternity and Children's Hospitals, the Toledo Museum of Art, the local Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army, the Flower Deaconess Home, the Toledo Newsboys Association, the Old Ladies' Home, the District Nurses Association, the Federation of Jewish Charities, the Little Sisters of the Poor, the Colored Working Girls Home, the Old Adams Street City Mission, the North Toledo Settlement, the Florence Crittenden Home, the Luella Cummings Home and the Thalian Society. Thus his good works follow him and those who are benefiting by his benefactions rise up and call him blessed.

ANNA KATHERINE VOGLER

Anna Katherine Vogler, superintendent of the Flower Hospital, has devoted her life to the noble work of assisting humankind in a way that has won the gratitude and admiration of the world throughout the ages. A daughter of Henry and Magdalene Vogler, she is a native of Columbus, Ohio, and was but two years of age when her parents removed with the family to Toledo, so that she acquired her education in this city, her entire training being received under private tutelage in her own home, her course, however, making her eligible for entrance into any colllege. In 1911 she entered Flower Hospital for training, putting in the prescribed time and graduating with the class of 1914. She continued with the hospital and in 1915 had charge of the laboratory, which was installed that year, so that consequently she became the first attendant. In 1916 she was made night supervisor and in 1917 she was advanced to the position of superintendent of nurses. During the war while registered with the Red Cross for foreign service she was delegated to remain in charge of Flower Hospital and was made superintendent. Her labors there were very arduous during the war period, when there was a scarcity of nurses everywhere and in 1919, being badly in need of a rest, she left for an extended tour of the west, remaining on the Pacific coast until June, 1921, when she returned and resumed her position as superintendent of the hospital, having been away on a leave of absence.

Miss Vogler is a member of the Methodist church and she belongs to various professional societies, having membership in district No. 9 of the Nurses Association, also in the Ohio Hospital, the American Hospital, the National Hospital and the Protestant Hospital associations. In a word, she improves every opportunity that will advance her knowledge and promote her efficiency in her chosen calling. Prompted by the broadest spirit of humanitarianism she is giving her service to

the public in ways that often entail self-sacrifice, finding her reward in a sense of duty faithfully performed. There are scores, however, who at mention of Miss Vogler bear testimony not only to her high professional ability but to her splendid executive power as superintendent of the hospital and of her kindly and helpful nature, manifest always in a ready smile and in an encouraging word.

ALLAN BOATH WILLS

Allan Boath Wills occupies a prominent position in business circles of Toledo as treasurer of The Donovan Wire & Iron Company and has contributed in no uncertain degree to the steady growth and development of the enterprise. He was born in Detroit, Michigan, on the 12th of March, 1881, and received his more advanced educational training as a student in the University of Michigan, where he became a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. Well qualified for life's practical and responsible duties, he entered business circles and has attained a position of executive control as treasurer of The Donovan Wire & Iron Company of Toledo, in which connection he is active in the management of one of the prosperous and growing commercial concerns of the city.

On the 12th of June, 1909, in Toledo, Mr. Wills was united in marriage to Miss Julie F. Brinkman, a daughter of George Brinkman of this city. Mr. Wills is a worthy exemplar of the Masonic fraternity, in which he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and holds membership in the Toledo Club. Upright and honorable in the varied relations of life, he enjoys an enviable reputation in both business and social circles of his adopted city and has an extensive circle of warm friends here.

GEORGE JOHN MARQUARDT

Commercial enterprise and progressiveness find expression in the business career of George John Marquardt, who is now the president of the George J. Marquardt Company, controlling one of the large hardware establishments of Toledo. His life story—a tale of successful achievement in which industry and intelligence have chiefly figured—is an interesting one. He was born in New York city, February 5, 1862, and is a son of John George and Elizabeth M. (Huff) Marquardt. The father was a merchant and manufacturer who after carrying on business in the east for a time removed to Sandusky, Ohio, in 1863, and there engaged in cabinet manufacturing and wood carving.

George John Marquardt obtained his education in the public schools and under a private tutor and the year 1885 witnessed his arrival in Toledo, at which time, then a young man of twenty-three years, he secured a clerkship in a hardware store. For thirteen years he was connected with the Bostwick & Braun Company and acquainted himself with every phase and department of the trade. He then withdrew from that connection to become one of the organizers of the Shunck & Marquardt Hardware Company, under which firm style the business was carried on until 1911, when it was reorganized under the name of the George J. Marquardt Company, of which he has since been the president. Their establishment

is now one of the large hardware houses of the city and everything known to the trade is there found, while the business methods of the house commend it to the public and a liberal patronage has long been enjoyed.

In October, 1885, Mr. Marquardt was married to Miss Mary Steuer of Toledo and they have three children: Evan George, who is secretary and treasurer of the George J. Marquardt Company; Alice; and George Richard, who is one of the directors of the company. All of the children are married. The elder son wedded Hazel Martin and they have two children, Caroline and Marion. The daughter, Alice, is the wife of Fred Bosselman of Toledo and they have one son, Frederick. George Richard Marquardt wedded Bertha West and they are parents of a daughter, Jane Lucile.

In his fraternal relations Mr. Marquardt is a Mason and has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. He is a representative of his line of business in the Rotary Club but has never been a clubman in the usually accepted sense of the term. Business affairs have claimed the major part of his time and attention, yet he does not relegate the duties of citizenship to the background but cooperates in all those forces which make for higher civic standards, for growth and progress in the business life of the community and for the advancement of those intellectual and moral forces which are the outstanding features in good citizenship. Mr. Marquardt has lived for a number of years at No. 920 West Woodruff avenue, his home being one of the early ones built in that section.

RUDOLPH A. BARTLEY

There is no success in life without effort. The purpose of life is to afford opportunity for physical, mental and spiritual development. In our country these opportunities are offered in turn to everyone who is willing to embrace them. Humble birth and poverty are no handicap to American youths but opportunities slip away from the sluggard and tauntingly play before the dreamer, yet they surrender to the individual with high purpose, undaunted courage and indefatigable determination. A recognition of the real value of industry and persistency has enabled Rudolph A. Bartley to rise from a humble position in the business world to a place among the foremost wholesale merchants of Toledo and the state. Not by leaps and bounds has he advanced but by that steady progression which indicates the mastery over self, over environment and over conditions. Born in Wittenberg, Germany, in 1851, Rudolph A. Bartley is a son of Gebhardt Bartley, a baker by trade, whose careful saving of his earnings enabled him to bring his family to the new world in 1853, settlement being made in the village of Perrysburg, in the Maumee valley of Ohio, while a little later the family home was established on a farm not far distant. There the mother passed away, leaving three children to the care of the father.

Spending his youthful days under the parental roof Rudolph A. Bartley enjoyed only such educational opportunities as the district schools afforded. In 1868, when a youth of sixteen years, he came to Toledo and since that time, covering a period of more than a half century, he has been closely associated with the grocery trade. His original position here was that of employe in the grocery and general store situated at St. Clair and Adams streets and owned by H. & F. Barnes. The arrangement with his father was that he should send home fifteen dollars a month in

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lieu of his services on the farm. He began work, however, at a wage of only eight dollars per month; so that he had to go in debt for the remaining seven. His capability and faithfulness, however, soon won him promotion and an increased salary, but though his wage was advanced to fifteen dollars per month all this went to pay his father. Further promotion, however, enabled him to wipe out his indebtedness and at the end of the first year he was receiving twenty-five dollars per month in the general store of J. A. Spyer, at the corner of Summit and Orange streets. From time to time he received an increase in his earnings and by the time he had attained his majority he had saved two hundred dollars. He then negotiated a loan of one hundred dollars from B. F. Richardson and with his combined capital of three hundred dollars he entered into partnership with Enos Cousino, opening a retail grocery house in 1872, under the firm style of Cousino & Bartley. They occupied a little two-story building and bent every energy toward the development of the trade. They employed no outside help but did all the work themselves and slept in the store at night. They delivered their goods from a hand cart, each partner delivering that which he sold and by reason of their close application, thoroughness and enterprise the business kept steadily growing in volume and importance, so that in 1882 Mr. Bartley was able to purchase his partner's interest and in the same year he acquired by purchase the retail grocery house of J. C. Wuerfel. He then removed his main stock into the double brick building next door, originally occupied by Wuerfel, while the old storeroom was used as a warehouse. In the meantime he had begun selling to the wholesale trade and this department of his business was manifesting a steady and gratifying growth. By 1887 he had discarded the retail end of the business entirely and was devoting his attention exclusively to the wholesale trade. In that year the store was removed to the corner of Summit and Lynn streets, where Mr. Bartley occupied a four-story business block, considered then a large store. In 1897 a two-story warehouse was erected, adjoining the larger building and a year later a five-story structure was erected at the other end, so that the group of buildings occupied the entire block from Lynn to Cherry streets, on Summit. A disastrous fire occurred, however, in 1908, and for some time thereafter the business occupied temporary quarters at Monroe and St. Clair streets, until Mr. Bartley had perfected his plans for a new business block. He selected the highest point of land in the business district, at the corner of Washington and Ontario streets, and one especially adapted to the wholesale trade, having railroad tracks at the door. There he erected a seven-story and basement fireproof structure one hundred and forty by one hundred and twenty feet, with a total floor space of more than five and a half acres. This building has every equipment requisite to the requirement of a large and growing trade. The trade covers the three states of Ohio, Indiana and Michigan and a large number of office people, clerks and salesmen are employed. The business is today one of the most important commercial interests of Toledo and the state and has been a large contributing factor to the commercial development of the city. Mr. Bartley is also a director of the National Bank of Commerce and has long figured as one of the foremost business men of Toledo.

In early manhood Mr. Bartley wedded Mrs. Hattie Josephine (Barnes) Dutton of Adrian, Michigan, a daughter of Dr. L. B. and Olive Leaf (Evans) Barnes. Her father was a well known physician and surgeon of southern Michigan and northern Indiana and Ohio. For many years he resided on a farm in Calhoun county, Michigan, near Union City, where both he and his wife passed away. Mrs. Bartley was born in Steuben county, New York, and was graduated from the high school at

Coldwater, Michigan, after which she attended Professor Taylor's College in Lansing, Michigan. By her first marriage she had a son, Charles E., who was reared by Mr. Bartley as his own child, and has taken the name of Bartley. He resides in Chicago, Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Bartley reared from babyhood, Virginia, the daughter of Charles E. Bartley. She finished her schooling at the Miss Mason School for Girls, at Tarrytown, New York. She married Charles West Peckinpaugh of Toledo, and their three children are: Charles West, Jr., Richard Bartley and David William. Before her second marriage Mrs. Bartley taught school in different sections of Calhoun county and following her marriage she displayed splendid business ability, giving active assistance to Mr. Bartley in the conduct of the wholesale grocery house. She acted as bookkeeper and managed the financial end of the business and Mr. Bartley has always given great credit to her for his success. She possesses keen insight and sagacity and has displayed marked intuition in directing business affairs and expanding the interests under their control. After a time she ceased to take active part in the management of the business and turned her energies to various social and civic service plans. She has been an untiring worker in the church and along other lines. She holds membership in the First Baptist church and has contributed to the growth and development in all the departments of the church and Sunday school work. She belongs as well to the Shakespeare Club, to the Woman's Educational Club, to the Woman's Building Association and has done much for the woman's suffrage movement. She has always kept abreast with the best in literature and their private library is one of the finest to be found in any home in northern Ohio. Her benevolent spirit has found expression in substantial assistance to many but in this she follows the precept not to let the left hand know what the right hand doeth. However, she has reared three girls from the respective ages of eight, ten and twelve years and also three boys, giving to them the advantages of a splendid home and the best educational training possible. She has lived to see them grow up to useful manhood and womanhood and take their places in society, occupying homes of their own. Mr. Bartley has been an important factor in the life of the community aside from his extensive business and no good work done in the name of charity or religion seeks his aid in vain, while his cooperation can at all times be counted upon for the progress of social and civic service. He was for two terms president of the Toledo Business Men's Chamber of Commerce and is now a valued member of the Toledo Commerce Club. He served for five years as a member of the Toledo board of education, acting as president thereof for two terms and for a number of years he has been a director of the Toledo Humane Society, while for a considerable period he was president of the Adams Street Mission. Just as they worked together in the upbuilding of the business so Mr. and Mrs. Bartley have held to kindred interests in their efforts to uplift humanity and improve conditions of society in general. The record of Mr. Bartley is indeed one that should serve to inspire and encourage others. In his business life he has been a persistent, resolute and energetic worker, possessing strong executive power, keeping his hand steadily upon the helm of his business and strictly conscientious in his dealings with debtor and creditor alike. Keenly alive to the possibilities of every new avenue opened in the natural ramifications of trade he has passed over the pitfalls into which unrestricted progressiveness is so frequently led and has been enabled to focus his energies in directions where fruition is certain. If a pen picture could accurately delineate his business characteristics they might be given in these words: A progressive spirit ruled by more than ordinary intelligence and good judgment; a deep

earnestness impelled and fostered by indomitable perseverance; a native justice expressing itself in correct principles and practice. Mr. Bartley's residence is at No. 1855 Collingwood avenue, and was erected by him in 1906.

ROBERT J. BURNOR

Business development in Toledo has found stimulus in the efforts of Robert J. Burnor, an unusually capable and enterprising young business man, who is engaged in the real estate and insurance business, and his intelligently directed labors have been attended with a gratifying measure of success. He was born in this city on the 1st of February, 1890, and is a member of one of the old and well known families of Toledo. He is a son of Peter and Rosa (Bartley) Burnor, the former a native of Adrian, Michigan, and the latter of Toledo. In early life the father came to this city, where he has since made his home, and for many years he has successfully conducted a trucking and transfer business, being highly regarded in commercial circles of Toledo. The mother also survives and they have become the parents of six children, five of whom are living, namely: Roman G. and Robert J., both residents of this city; Mrs. Angela B. Siess, who is living in Cleveland, Ohio; Marjorie; and Beatrice, who is unmarried and also makes her home in Toledo.

In the acquirement of an education Robert J. Burnor attended St. Mary's parochial school and St. John's College, after which he entered the University of Michigan, of which he was a student for a year. He then returned home and embarked in the merchandise brokerage business, upon which he concentrated his attention for several years, meeting with success in his efforts. He continues to operate that enterprise but now devotes the major portion of his time to the general real estate and insurance business, having organized the Robert J. Burnor Company in November, 1920. They have negotiated many important realty transfers, while they also write a large amount of insurance annually, and under the capable direction of Mr. Burnor, who acts as president and manager of the company, the business is rapidly developing. He is also a director of the Lucas County Mortgage Company and has never hesitated to extend his interests as opportunity has offered, being alert, energetic and determined in the conduct of his business affairs.

Mr. Burnor is a communicant of the Roman Catholic church and is also connected with the Knights of Columbus, in which he has taken the fourth degree. In politics he maintains an independent attitude, casting his ballot in favor of the candidate whom he deems best fitted for office without regard to party ties. As a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce he does all in his power to promote the industrial expansion of his city and the nature of his recreation is indicated by his connection with the Toledo Yacht Club and the Maumee River Yacht Club. He belongs to Bartelle Post, American Legion, being a veteran of the World war, in which he served for sixteen and a half months as a member of the Eighty-third Division of the United States army. For seven and a half months he was stationed at Camp Sherman and was then sent overseas, in the Le Mans sector. Since starting out in the business world he has made continuous advancement and his record is that of a self-made man who has won success through industry and

ability. He is enterprising and aggressive in his operations, straightforward and reliable in all business transactions, and is enthusiastic in exploiting the resources and attractions of the city, which is proud to claim him as a native son.

GEORGE ELTWEED POMEROY

The history of any city is nothing more than a record of the lives of its citizens whose activities have been contributing factors to its growth and development, and any history of Toledo, particularly that of the past forty years, would be incomplete without a biographical mention of George Eltweed Pomeroy, dean of the city's real estate men, banker and prominent citizen.

The life story of George Eltweed Pomeroy had its beginning in Clinton, Michigan, where he was born November 28, 1848. He comes from a fine old New England family, that was established in the Plymouth Rock Colony in 1630, by Eltweed Pomeroy, the American progenitor.

In 1912 Colonel Albert A. Pomeroy published a geneology of the Pomeroy family, giving a complete list of the descendants of this Eltweed Pomeroy through eleven generations and comprising one of the most valuable contributions ever made to American genealogical literature. The English ancestry of the Pomeroy family is traced back through a long line of distinguished warriors and statesmen to Normandy. Sir Radulphus De Pomeraie of St. Sauveur de la Pomerai in Normandy, chief of staff of William the Conqueror, was the progenitor of the family in England and was an active participant in the battle of Hastings in 1066. In a later generation the name was Anglicized to Ralph de Pomeroy and the family has figured prominently in the southwestern counties of England through several centuries or since the time of the Norman conquest. Vast estates were granted to the founder of the family in Devonshire and his descendants maintained their feudal position through centuries of strife.

The family has been represented in America since 1630, when Eltweed Pomeroy came to the new world, having previously engaged in the manufacture of guns in England. He settled first at Dorchester, Massachusetts, and was offered a grant of a thousand acres of land by the Massachussetts Bay Colony if he would establish a gun factory in the colony. This he did and seven generations of the family continued the business. One of the original anvils is still in possession of his descendants.

George Eltweed Pomeroy of Toledo, is a descendant in the eighth generation of the family in this country, the line of descent being as follows, the Roman numerals indicating the generation:

I. Eltweed Pomeroy.....(1585-1673)
II. Medad Pomeroy.....(1638-1716)
III. Ebenezer Pomeroy.....(1669-1754)
IV. Maj. Gen. Seth Pomeroy.....(1706-1777)
He died in the Revolutionary service at Peekskill, New York, and a monument to his memory was erected by the Sons of The American Revolution of New York city.
V. Quartus Pomeroy.....(1735-1803)
VI. Colonel Seth Pomeroy.....(1777-1861)

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VII. George Eltweed Pomeroy, Sr.....(1807-1886)
VIII. George Eltweed Pomeroy.

A most remarkable thing about this line of ancestry is the fact that all, excepting the progenitor, Eltweed Pomeroy, were born in Northampton, Massachusetts.

It was in that town that George Eltweed Pomeroy, Sr., was born, September 16, 1807. In 1833 he married Helen E. Robinson, also of Puritan lineage, and in 1835 they removed westward to Palmyra, Michigan, where Mr. Pomeroy engaged in milling. He afterward became a resident of Albany, New York, and inaurgurated the first express service of the United States, the route extending from New York to Buffalo, while Mr. Pomeroy made the first trip as the pioneer express messenger in June, 1841. After that weekly trips were made, at first by railway and stage, parcels being carried in a carpetbag and a strong trunk. The round trip consumed eighty-four hours. The business grew rapidly in favor among bankers, for it was much quicker than the mail service and was deemed safer. The route was afterward extended to New York and other cities, and George E. Pomeroy, Sr., was joined as a partner in the business by his brother, Thaddeus Pomeroy, under the firm style of Pomeroy & Company, daily trips being inaugurated in 1842. A stamp was devised for the patrons similar in size and form to those afterward used in the postal service, which was the first postage stamp in the United States. Two five-cent stamps in black and blue, respectively, and vermilion ten-cent stamps were issued. The vignette was a handsome steel portrait of a woman surrounded by the words "Pomeroy's Letter Express" and above were the words "Free Stamp," while below "Twenty for One Dollar." The firm was soon defendants in lawsuits brought by the government, but the decisions of the courts were in favor of the Pomeroy company. In July, 1844, the following announcement appeared in the Toledo Blade: "New Post Office, Post Reduced. Pomeroy's Daily Letter Express, having been extended to this place, is now prepared to carry letters at the following rates: From Toledo to Detroit and all lake points, Buffalo included, six and one-fourth cents; to Batavia, Albany and New York, twelve and a half cents; to New England points and Philadelphia, eighteen and three-fourth cents." At the corner of Summit and Monroe streets the office of the company was found and for several years the firm conducted a profitable business as its rates were lower than those of the government. At length George E. Pomeroy disposed of his interest in the business to his brother and removed to Clinton, Michigan, at the same time establishing the Detroit Tribune. In 1863 he became a resident of Toledo, where he turned his attention to the real estate business, in which he won substantial success. He and his wife lived to celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary in 1883. Mr. Pomeroy passed away January 12, 1886, and his wife died May 25, 1895. She was a lady of notably generous spirit and was largely instrumental in the building of churches in Palmyra, Clinton and Toledo.

The youthful days of George E. Pomeroy were largely passed on his father's extensive farm at Palmyra, Michigan, and in 1864 he accompanied his mother to Toledo, where his father was already engaged in business. His education was acquired in the public schools of Clinton and of Buffalo, New York, and when his textbooks were put aside he became actively associated with his father in the conduct of the real estate business and immediately took helpful part in systematizing their interests. He was admitted to the firm under the style of George E. Pomeroy & Son, an association that was maintained until the father's death. This left the son in full charge and his thoroughness, systematic methods and unfaltering enterprise led to the continuous growth and development of the business until his clientele

became not only extensive, but probably the most desirable ever enjoyed by a Toledo real estate house. This brought him into close relations with many of the leading bankers of various sections of the world as well as of the United States, including prominent financiers of London, Petrograd, Vienna, Mexico and Halifax, Nova Scotia. Mr. Pomeroy also entered the banking field as an active factor, becoming president of the First National Bank of Bellevue, Ohio, a position which he occupied for a quarter of a century and his careful direction of the institution and splendid administrative ability were largely the contributing elements in its rapid and substantial growth. He likewise became a stockholder in the Second National Bank of Toledo and interested as well in several large manufacturing concerns. At the same time he remained at the head of the George E. Pomeroy Company, which is the oldest real estate firm in the state of Ohio, and one with a reputation for commercial integrity not surpassed by any business house in Toledo.

Mr. Pomeroy has long been most happily situated in his home life. He was married to Miss Hannah Mathilda Worthington, daughter of John T. Worthington, a native of Maryland, who removed to Toledo in 1875. Mrs. Pomeroy was educated in St. Mary's Hall at Burlington, New Jersey, and she has long been prominent in the social circles of this city. She belongs to the Colonial Dames and to the Daughters of the American Revolution, indicating her close connection with some of the oldest American families. Mr. and Mrs. Pomeroy are members of the First Westminister Presbyterian church, in the work of which they have taken active and helpful part, Mr. Pomeroy serving for many years as president of the board of trustees. His political allegiance has always been given to the republican party when national questions and issues are involved, but at local elections he casts an independent ballot. He is prominently known in club circles, belonging to the Toledo Club, the Toledo Commerce Club, the Middle Bass Club, and also to the Castalia Trout Club and the Ohio Society in New York city. He has served as governor of the Society of Colonial Wars of Ohio and has been state president of the Sons of the American Revolution, likewise having membership in chapters of this society in Massachusetts and in New York city. He is now serving his fourteenth year as president of the Ohio State Board of Commerce and he has ever been an active participant in all those forces which make for the upbuilding and progress of community, commonwealth and country. The Ohio State Board of Commerce was the organization from which grew the National Tax Association and its methods were the foundation of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. Mr. Pomeroy's cooperation with affairs and movements has led to the adoption of many plans which he has fostered. For several years he was president of the board of sinking fund trustees and has also served as tax commissioner. In this connection he made a thorough study of systems of taxation and rendered extremely valuable service on the commission. He was the first chairman of the National Tax Association and he also served in that capacity at the tenth annual meeting of that body. The work of this Association has been extremely beneficial to the entire country in working out taxation problems. Mr. Pomeroy has received appointment from Ohio governors as representative of the state in many conferences called for the consideration of important problems, one of these being that of trade relations between the United States and Canada. It is Mr. Pomeroy's belief that every citizen to whom it is possible should give at least one-third of his time to the service of the municipality or the state. He has lived up to this belief, giving freely of his time, his efforts and his means to further questions of public concern and he has utilized his opportunities for the general good just as wisely and just as thoroughly as he has utilized his

opportunities for advancement in a business way. Delving deep to the root of any matter in which he is concerned, his opinions have largely become accepted as authority upon many questions of public interest. Mr. Pomeroy was one of the important factors in the movement that resulted in erection of the McKinley monument in Toledo and gave his personal attention to a number of details, including the selection of the sculptor. His life has indeed been one of worth to his fellowmen for he is ever a stanch and helpful advocate of all those plans and measures which are promoting the material, intellectual, social, political and moral welfare in the fullest and broadest sense of these terms. Mr. Pomeroy's residence is at the northeast corner of Huron and Walnut streets, where he has lived for nearly forty years.

ASHBEL B. NEWELL

In transportation circles of Ohio, Ashbel B. Newell is well known as the president of the Toledo Terminal Railroad and he is a representative of a family that has long figured prominently in this field of activity. A native of Buffalo, New York, he was born April 26, 1868, and his parents were John and Judith (PoorHills) Newell, both of whom were born in Newburyport, Massachusetts. In 1869 they took up their residence in Chicago, Illinois, the father having been made president of the Illinois Central Railroad Company. He went to the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern in 1875 as general manager and was chosen president in 1884, becoming one of the prominent railroad heads of the country. His death occurred at Youngstown, Ohio, in 1894. The mother survived him for sixteen years, passing away in 1910.

Ashbel B. Newell attended school in Chicago and afterward entered Yale University, from which he was graduated in 1890. He began his business career with the Lake Shore Railroad, with which he remained until 1901, when he went to Alaska as vice president of the White Pass & Yukon Railroad, retaining that office until 1906. He then returned to the States, locating in Chicago, and for two years engaged in the railroad supply business in that city. Disposing of his interests there, he went to Mexico City as an official of the Mexican Central Railroad, in which capacity he served until 1909, when he was elected president of the Tennessee Central Railroad Company. He continued to fill that office until January, 1914, when he came to this city, and has since served as president of the Toledo Terminal Railroad. He brought to the office a thorough knowledge of railroading, gained through years of experience, and under his direction the line is being operated in a most efficient manner.

In Chicago, Illinois, on the 24th of April, 1894, Mr. Newell married Miss Harriet King, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. King of that city, and they had three children: A. B. Newell, Jr., the eldest in the family, was born in Chicago in 1897 and entered Yale University, from which he was graduated in 1920. He enlisted for service in the World war and was commissioned a second lieutenant of artillery. He married Miss Helen Ingalls, of Jacksonville, Florida, and they have one daughter, Eleanor, and reside in Toledo; Eleanor King Newell, the second child, was born in Chicago and was graduated from Bryn Mawr College of Pennsylvania in 1921. On the 24th of June, 1922, she became the wife of William Burry, Jr., of Chicago; Harriet Newell was born in Chicago in 1902. In 1910 Mr. Newell married Evelyn S. Seymour at Mentor, Ohio.

Mr. Newell is a republican in his political views and he is a member of the Toledo Country Club, the Toledo Club and the Transportation Club. He also belongs to the Chicago Club of Chicago and to the University and Yale Clubs of New York.

HARRY ELDRIDGE KING

Harry Eldridge King was born near Cumberland, Allegany county, Maryland, May 12, 1857, the tenth child in a family of five sons and seven daughters born to Captain Alexander and Lavina M. (Collins) King, both of whom were members of noteworthy southern families.

On the paternal side Harry Eldridge King was a grandson of Colonel Alexander King, who served as a representative in the Virginia general assembly from 1802 to 1812. Mr. King's father, Captain Alexander King, was born and reared in Virginia but removed in early manhood to Cumberland, Maryland, where he was long engaged in mercantile business. He was a prominent and influential citizen, esteemed for his probity of character, public usefulness and ability. In 1843, during the construction of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, serious rioting occurred in the vicinity of Cumberland, and as captain of a local military organization known as the Cumberland Guards, he displayed signal courage and efficiency when called to assist in suppressing the disturbances. He was a member of the board of county commissioners of Allegany county, Maryland, from 1843 to 1845 and judge of the orphans court from 1856 to 1854. During the Civil war, notwithstanding the prevalence of a strong pro-southern sentiment in the community where he resided, he was at all times a pronounced and active supporter of the Union. After retiring from business he lived on an extensive plantation about six miles north of Cumberland, near the present town of Ellerslie, Maryland.

The mother of Harry E. King was, like his father, a native of Virginia. She was a descendant on the maternal side of the Tomlinson family, which from an early period occupied a prominent position in Allegany county, Maryland. Her grandfather, Benjamin Tomlinson, was elected a member of the Maryland house of delegates in 1791 and at various times for thirty-one years subsequently.

The childhood of Harry E. King was spent at Cumberland, while the armies of the north and south were struggling to decide the issues of the Civil war. Later he attended the schools at Cumberland, but his regular education was interrupted by the death of his father when the son was only sixteen years of age. This threw him upon his own resources, but with the endowment he received from his sturdy Scotch-Irish ancestors he entered upon his individual struggle without fear and with a steady outlook toward higher things. After the death of his father, during 1874-75 he attended the State Normal School at Millersville, Pennsylvania, was in the Collegiate Institute at Fort Edward, New York, in 1877, and in Eastman's National Business College at Poughkeepsie, New York, in 1878. He attended these institutions not as a routine performance, but as a means to an end which he already clearly perceived. While in those schools he laid the foundation for the practical and efficient service which characterized his subsequent career. During 1879-81 he was clerk in a general store at Sulphur Springs, Texas. These early experiences brought him a considerable knowledge of the country and of men and affairs in different sections. With the savings acquired in Texas he took a course in the law

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department of the University of Michigan. Through all the preceding years he had worked steadily with the law as his ultimate goal and he allowed no obstacle to prove more than a temporary embarrassment to his ambition. He remained in the University of Michigan during 1881-82, and in March, 1882, located at Toledo, where he made arrangements to continue his law studies in the office of Swayne, Swayne & Hayes, a partnership holding then a distinctive place in the Northwest Ohio bar. He was a student in that office until 1883, and then passed the Ohio state bar examination, and on February 6th was admitted by the supreme court to practice in Ohio. Two years later he became a member of the firm of Swayne, Swayne & Hayes and continued in that association until April 1, 1892, when he organized with Thomas H. Tracy the firm of King & Tracy. This firm, besides having a large general practice, was employed as counsel for a number of prominent corporations and business houses. For some years they occupied offices in the Nasby building, but in the spring of 1908, when their rapidly increasing business led to the admission of two additional members, Charles F. Chapman, Jr., and George D. Welles, offices were furnished and occupied in the Ohio building. During the next six years the firm was known as King, Tracy, Chapman & Welles, and there was no stronger firm in northwest Ohio, and few that enjoyed such an extensive and profitable clientage.

On April 1, 1914, Mr. King withdrew from the partnership after twenty-two years of continuous association with Thomas H. Tracy. He then opened offices of his own in the Ohio building, adjoining those of the old firm, with which he continued to have the most cordial and close relations until his death. He surrounded himself with young associates, having several of the brightest in Toledo, until the war took some of them away, and continued his fine career as a lawyer at the same high level and with the same success, until within a few days of his death. Mr. King was attorney in many important cases and for several years sat a good deal at the trial table. He took the leading part in one of the most important and intricate cases ever tried in northwestern Ohio, known as the Anderson-Messinger litigation, which began here in 1904 and ended in the supreme court of the United States in 1912. It involved, in complicated forms and lengthy history, the title to a large block of valuable Toledo real estate, located at the corner of Summit and Cherry streets. The main question turned on the construction of the will of Henry Anderson, who died in 1846, a resident of Holly Springs, Mississippi, who once owned the Toledo property. One branch of the litigation went up through the federal courts and another through the state courts, and a conflict of decisions resulted. After eight years of remarkable contests, the titles of his clients were sustained. His associates have paid him the highest tributes of praise for his tireless, faithful and skillful efforts in this litigation. The property came back, after all this litigation, in a ruinous condition and the owners were much embarrassed by the long struggle, and Mr. King then did as good a job as a business man in assisting to build up the property, as he had done as a lawyer. After further years of work, putting into the matter his own time and credit, the property became remunerative and his client was able to obtain a large amount for an equity which at times seemed to be practically worthless. Altogether this litigation was as many-sided, and the result as creditable, as any achievement ever reached by a Toledo lawyer.

Mr. King exemplified many of the best qualities of the successful attorney. First of all, he was a hard worker, though his diligence was equaled perhaps by a mental keenness and ability at analysis that served him well in the solution of many intricate legal problems. Most of all was he admired by his fellow attorneys for the scrupulous and conscientious care which he exercised in all of his professional

relations. He was preeminently fair, never took a petty or mean advantage over another and never left in his pathway any feelings of bitterness on the part of those he opposed with all his might. He had a keen sense of humor and loved to argue by stories, but no one ever heard him tell a vulgar story. The appellate judge who knew Mr. King longest said of him: "He seemed entirely free from envy or disposition to walk off with credit that belonged to others. He was more than kind and deferential to young men who appeared associated with him in court and always gave them the fullest opportunity for every advancement possible. I never knew a lawyer who so constantly charged himself with the duty of radiating good feeling wherever he went as did Mr. King."

Mr. King was an active republican and for five years served as secretary of the Toledo board of elections, an office to which he was appointed by Governor Joseph B. Foraker. He resigned as secretary to accept appointment as a regular member of the same board and continued in that work for four years. He was in full sympathy with church work and was identified with many of the leading civic, moral and social organizations of his home city. He was a lover and patron of music and a reader of wide range, possessing a fine private library.

On June 12, 1883, at Tenafly, New Jersey, Mr. King married Miss Mary Elma Haring. Her father, Dr. John J. Haring, was a prominent physician in his section of New Jersey. Of the four children born to their marriage, three are living: Harry Swayne graduated from Cornell University and is now sales manager of the Great Lakes Securities Company of Toledo; the daughter, Margaret Haring, died May 8, 1915; James Ernest is a graduate of Williams College and is now a member of the editorial staff of the Boston Transcript at Boston, Massachusetts, as a special writer; the youngest child, Grace McAllister, is the wife of Arthur E. Hazeldine of Toledo. Mr. King's city residence was at Bronson place and his summer home for many years at Kennebunk Beach, Maine. Later in life he became possessed of a beautiful estate on the west bank of the Maumee river, known as "Maple Grove." Here the family spent several happy summers and here he passed away on October 18, 1918, in the sixty-second year of his age.

THOMAS HENRY TRACY

Thomas Henry Tracy, senior member of the well known law firm of Tracy, Chapman & Welles, has been an active representative of the legal profession for the past four decades, and has long been accounted an attorney of exceptional ability and power. His birth occurred in Bowling Green, Ohio, on the 13th of July, 1859, his parents being Joseph Rex and Hannah (Burdick) Tracy. He supplemented his early educational advantages by a course of study in the Mansfield (Ohio) Normal College and after further qualifying for a professional career was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1883. Throughout the intervening period, covering forty years, he has continuously followed his profession in Toledo, where he has long been numbered among the leading and capable members of the bar. On April 1, 1892, Mr. Tracy entered into partnership with Harry E. King, as the firm of King & Tracy. During the twenty-two years that this partnership existed, King & Tracy had such an extensive and profitable practice in all the courts of northern Ohio, that the firm name is recalled as one of the ablest of its time in Toledo. Mr. King retired from the firm on April 1, 1914, when the firm name became

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Tracy, Chapman & Welles, of which Mr. Tracy has since practiced as senior member. He is a director of and attorney for the Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company, the Toledo-Edison Company, the Toledo & Indiana Railway Company and many other corporations. He was appointed by Governor Joseph B. Foraker as a member of the commission to construct the gas line and plant for the city of Toledo. As a lawyer he is sound, clear-minded and well trained. With the long line of decisions from Marshall down, by which the federal constitution has been expounded, he is familiar, as are all thoroughly skilled lawyers. He is at home in all departments of the law, from the minutiae of practice to the greater topics wherein is involved the consideration of the ethics and the philosophy of jurisprudence and also higher concerns of public policy. But he is not learned in the law alone, for he has studied long and carefully the subjects that are to the statesman and the man of affairs of the greatest import—the questions of finance, political economy, sociology—and has kept abreast with the best thinking men of the age. He is felicitous and clear in argument, thoroughly in earnest, full of the vigor of conviction, never abusive of his adversaries, imbued with highest courtesy and yet a foe worthy of the steel of the most able opponent.

On the 1st of January, 1885, Mr. Tracy was united in marriage to Miss Laura E. Pratt of Weston, Ohio. Mr. Tracy gives his political allegiance to the republican party and for three years was a member of the Toledo board of education, rendering most effective and valuable service in behalf of the city schools. In religious belief he is a Methodist, while his appreciation for the social amenities of life is indicated in his membership relations with the Toledo and Country clubs. Mr. Tracy's residence, "River Home," at Perrysburg, is one of the attractive homes in Toledo's suburbs.

CLARENCE DALE WILLIAMS

Clarence Dale Williams, organizer of the Usona Manufacturing Company, of which he is the secretary and treasurer, is through this connection engaged in the manufacture of electrical specialties at Toledo and is building up a substantial business in this line. He was born in Toledo on the 3d of March, 1891, and is a son of Harry G. and Rose (Haid) Williams. The father was a railway engineer with the New York Central Company. The son obtained a public school education, continuing his course until he had completed his high school work, and then started out in the business world as clerk with a manufacturing company. In 1911 he organized the Usona Manufacturing Company, of which he has since been the secretary and treasurer. This corporation is engaged in the manufacture of electric specialties, including the "Kwik-lite," a valuable flash light which is rapidly finding favor on the market and now has a large sale. Other electric specialties are produced by the company and the business is steadily growing along satisfactory lines. The firm employs fifty people in various capacities. The Usona Radio Company, which is a subsidiary company of the Usona Manufacturing Company, is engaged in the extensive manufacture of radio specialties.

On the 3d of October, 1913, Mr. Williams was married to Miss Ilah Pauline Kankey of Toledo and they have one son, William Dale, born June 28, 1917. Mr. Williams is a member of the Commerce Club and of the Exchange Club and is

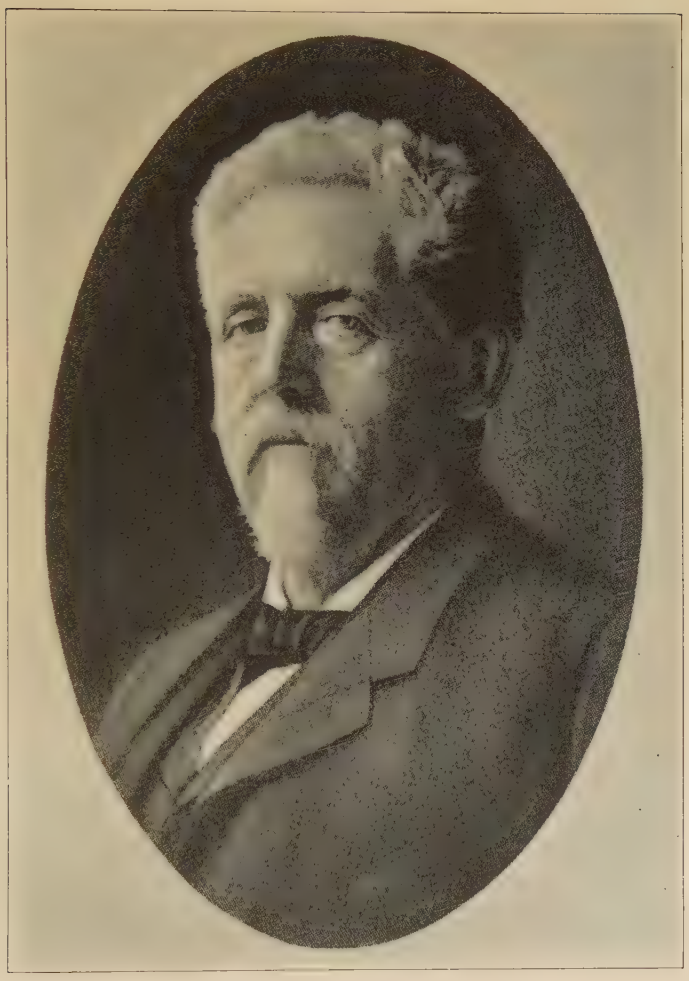
interested in all that has to do with the business development and upbuilding of the city and with the advancement of those interests which are a matter of civic virtue and of civic pride. Fraternally he is a Mason and has become a member not only of the lodge but of the chapter, of the Knights Templar commandery, of the consistory, the Grotto and the Mystic Shrine, being a most loyal follower of the teachings and purposes of the craft. He is also a well known member of the Toledo and Inverness clubs.

JOHN HARDY DOYLE

The student of history cannot carry his investigation far into the record of Ohio without learning how prominent and honored a place Judge John Hardy Doyle occupied, nor how deep was the impress that he made upon the annals of the Ohio bar. Toledo claimed him as a citizen but the entire state rejoiced in the eminence to which he attained as a lawyer, a jurist, as historian and as publisher. He was the youngest man who ever occupied the supreme court bench of Ohio and his talents brought him prominently to the front as one whose professional reputation made him known throughout a wide territory. His entire career was one of great usefulness in that profession to which life and liberty, right and property must look for protection. Duty was ever his watchword and he performed every task that came to him with a sense of conscientious obligation that, added to his native and acquired talents and powers, brought him notable distinction.

John Hardy Doyle was born in Monday Creek township, Perry county, Ohio, April 23, 1844, his parents being Michael and Johanna (Brophy) Doyle. The father was a contractor and he and his wife became early residents of the Maumee valley. In 1847 they established their home in Toledo, when their son, John, was but three years of age and here the father passed away at the comparatively early age of thirty-four years. Both he and his wife were descendants from ancient Irish families, whose sterling characteristics seem to have been inherited all down the line to the present time.

Judge Doyle of this review, one of a family of five children, all of whom have passed away, was reared to manhood in Toledo and after completing a thorough course of study in the public schools, was for a short time a student in the Denison University. He was still quite young when he determined to devote his attention to the legal profession and after leaving college he entered upon the study of law in Toledo, closely applying himself to the mastery of the principles of jurisprudence. He made notable progress, displaying special aptitude in his studies and on the day on which he attained his majority he was also admitted to the bar. Something of the sterling qualities which he displayed in his student days is indicated in the fact that on his admission he was at once admitted to a partnership by his former preceptor, Edward Bissell, and this association was maintained for thirteen years, or until Judge Doyle had reached the age of thirty-four, when he was advanced to the common pleas bench in Lucas county. From the outset of his professional career he had made steady progress. While advancement at the bar is proverbially slow no dreary novitiate awaited him and within a short time he had gained a large clientele and was connected with much important litigation heard in the courts that convened in Toledo. At length he was recommended by unanimous vote of the republican members of the Lucas county bar for nomination for the position of



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judge of the court of common pleas, whereupon he was given the unanimous support of the judicial convention and was elected to the office, overcoming a democratic majority of more than eight hundred which placed nearly all of the democratic nominees in office. Judge Doyle made a most commendable record on the common pleas bench, serving to the satisfaction of all until 1883, when he was called upon for still higher judicial service, being chosen judge of the supreme court, having the honor of being the youngest man who ever sat upon that bench. He soon proved himself a peer of the ablest members who sat in the court of last resort. He fully met the highest expectations of his friends and won a reputation that has caused his name to go down in history as one of the most profound and brilliant jurists Ohio has ever produced. His decisions were models of judicial soundness and by virtue of his splendid service he became known not only throughout the length and breadth of the state but over a wide territory.

With his retirement from the bench Judge Doyle returned to Toledo, where he resumed the private practice of law as senior partner in the firm of Doyle, Scott & Lewis, no change in the partnership relations occurring until the death of Mr. Scott, which led to the adoption of the firm name of Doyle & Lewis. In this connection Judge Doyle continued to practice up to the time of his demise and he was seldom absent from his office for a single day. His services were in great demand and he figured prominently in most of the important cases tried in the courts of Toledo throughout the period. His ideas and opinions always carried weight in legal counsel and it was seldom that any member of the profession ever seriously questioned the statements that he made.

On the 6th of October, 1886, Judge Doyle was married to Miss Alice Fuller Skinner, a descendant of Governor Roger Wolcott of Connecticut and of Oliver Wolcott, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. Her father was Dr. Samuel Wolcott Skinner, a veteran of the Civil war, who for four and a half years served as a surgeon in the Union army. He married Dorianna Fuller and both he and his wife were natives of Connecticut. Their ancestors came to America on the historic Mayflower and representatives of the family have remained on this side of the Atlantic. Mrs. Doyle has long been one of Toledo's most active and influential women, taking a prominent part in the club and social life of the city. She has membership with the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Colonial Dames and the descendants of Colonial Governors and is eligible to the Mayflower Society. She has long been prominent in these organizations throughout the state. To Judge and Mrs. Doyle were born six children. Those living are: Mrs. Elizabeth D. Bentley; Mrs. Grace D. Graves and Mrs. Helen Genevieve Pratt. Three sons: Frederick Ellsworth, John H. and Roger Wolcott, have passed away. The family circle was again broken by the hand of death when on the 24th of March, 1919, Judge Doyle departed this life after a brief illness at Florence Villa, Florida, being then seventy-five years of age. He was very fond of travel and with his wife had visited many European countries as well as all sections of America. His religious faith was manifest in his membership in the First Congregational church of Toledo, in the work of which he took active and helpful part, generously supporting the church and laboring earnestly for its advancement in every possible way. For a number of years he served as president of its board of trustees and was trustee emeritus at the time of his death. That Judge Doyle was a man of very high intellectual attainment is shadowed forth between the lines of this review. He was not only a close student of his profession but was familiar with the world's best literature and spent many of his

most pleasant hours in the companionship of the men of master minds that constituted his library. He himself possessed considerable ability as a writer and in early manhood he had organized the literary society known as the New Century Club. He was a recognized authority upon the history of northwestern Ohio and wrote voluminously and entertainingly concerning this. One of his last activities was the organization of the Historical Society of Northwestern Ohio, of which he was elected the first president. He is the author of a valuable work entitled "A Story of Early Toledo," containing historical facts and incidents of pioneer times in this city and section of the state. This was issued in book form in 1919, being prepared at the suggestion of the Commerce Club of Toledo and was first published serially in the Commerce Club News. Judge Doyle was not only a writer but also an orator of ability. He possessed a splendid voice and had the personality and magnetism to hold an audience spellbound. He was constantly in demand as a speaker on public occasions and he delivered many important addresses. There was one phase of his nature of which the public knew comparatively little, for in this he shrank from observation and at all times from ostentation or display, yet there are many who benefited by his bounty and knew him as a kindly and most generous benefactor. In club circles he was widely known, belonging to the Lawyers' Club, the Union Club of Cleveland, the Toledo, the Toledo Commerce, the Country Clubs and the Toledo Yacht Club, also to the Ohio Society of New York. He enjoyed pleasant associations with his fellow club members and his influence was strongly felt among all such. His attitude toward the public was that of strong championship of every plan or measure for the general good and he took an important part in promoting and bringing big enterprises to Toledo and thus advancing the material welfare, growth and prosperity of the city. When he passed away the Bar Association held a memorial meeting, in which high tribute was paid to Judge Doyle as a man, as a citizen, as a lawyer and as a jurist. One of the eminent representatives of the bar said on that occasion: "This long, useful and extremely interesting life does not readily lend itself to the necessary limits of this report. Your committee, taking its average experience, have known Judge Doyle as a lawyer for about forty-five years and realize that his reputation rests not upon brilliant results of a few occasions but upon the uniformly extraordinarily high excellence of his professional work, his honest-mindedness and his exalted character. It would take that dryest of all recitals, the story of the thousands of lawsuits, already dust of the ages, to which he gave through the long, long years the force of his intellect, his quickness of wit and unflagging industry, should we attempt to convey our impression of the work of this great lawyer as it grew in our minds during the years we knew and loved him. Judge Doyle was primarily a lawyer with all the ancient standard of his profession. Whatever else he did it was but a vacation or interlude that he might return refreshed and reinvigorated to his labors of love upon the bench or at the bar. To stand as he did for more than forty years as the unchallenged leader of the bar of Lucas county, required more than mere industry and facility. While no one questioned the fact, we sometimes sought to account for his leadership. His superb manner and presence, at once impressive and charming, furnished us some shelter of excuse, his wonderful combination of quickness of thought and unending persistence (you remember he carried the contest to enforce the lien of an Ohio judgment against the Wabash Railway federal court title to successful issue in some thirty years) gave us some explanation, but after all we were driven to the admission that his greatness and power were the result of his combined qualities. It would not

have been difficult to find lawyers who would have done one or more things better than he, but impossible to have found one among our members who could do so many things of the different kinds of a lawyer's work supremely well. It shocks us to hear Judge Doyle referred to as a self-made man. It is true that he treated himself fairly, trained himself with industry and determination to win and never wasted his powers by weakness, sin or malice, but God and his great mother made John Doyle. His sturdy health, his impressiveness and charm, his quickness and honesty of mind, his perfect speaking voice and unusual faculty of clear statement, needed only training and opportunity to produce the fine gentleman and great lawyer we knew. Some would say that his schooling was short, but he ranked among the best educated men of his time and community. The streets, labor and the schools taught him elementary knowledge and wisdom of folks and opened to him the learning of the ages. His beautiful and rapid handwriting, which enabled him with pleasure to the last to put his briefs and important papers in long hand, was learned as a copyist in the recorder's office of Lucas county and he had an opportunity to see politics as it is while he served as secretary to the Hon. James M. Ashley in the fierce campaign of 1864. Admitted to practice at twenty-one, he had the great good fortune to receive his early training under the prince of technical lawyers, Edward Bissell, and was very soon, as a member of the firm of Bissell & Gorrill, thrown into very active court practice, where under the thorough, if not always agreeable, tutelage of Charles Kent, Charles Dodge, Charles Pratt and Judge J. M. Ritchie, he was taught the practice of law. After his novitiate as judge of the common pleas and of the supreme court he lived for thirty years in close business and professional relations with many of the most highly trained business geniuses of the country and was constantly in the trial of important cases, involving the fundamental questions of our governmental and business life. If any one among us has received a higher or better education he has occasion to rejoice. No man can be the model for another but we may well be proud to have counted among our members so accomplished a lawyer and so amiable a gentleman as John H. Doyle and to have had the advantage of his example in the courtesies and amenities of our profession."

JOSEPH L. BICK

Joseph L. Bick, a member of one of the old families of Lucas county, is recognized as an enterprising and successful business man and is now serving as president of the Toledo Battery Company, which is the outgrowth of his carefully formulated plans and initiative spirit. He was born at Richfield Center, Lucas county, Ohio, June 14, 1881, and his parents, Adam W. and Mary Ann (Raab) Bick, were also natives of that county, in which the father was engaged in the occupation of farming until 1919. He is now living retired in Toledo but the mother is deceased. Seven children were born to their union: Frank J.; Nora, now the wife of Don Tunison; William W., who died June 11, 1919; Harvey; Arthur P.; Beatrice; and Joseph L., who is the eldest in the family.

In the grammar and high schools of Richfield Center, Ohio, Joseph L. Bick obtained his education and on starting out in life for himself he embarked in the grocery business at Swanton, Ohio, where he resided for three years. He then disposed of his interests there and came to Toledo. In 1905 he became a traveling

salesman for the J. B. Ford Company of Wyandotte, Michigan, and later represented Berdan & Company of Toledo, traveling in the interests of that firm for seven years. After severing his connections with that concern he established himself in business independently, organizing the Toledo Battery Company in 1913, and he has since filled the office of president. Their plant is equipped for the manufacture of Old Master galvanic batteries and batteries for automobiles, also the handling of all kinds of electrical repair work on automobiles, and as the years have passed the high quality of their work has won for them a well established position in industrial circles of the city, their business now being one of large volume.

On the 15th of January, 1918, Mr. Bick was united in marriage to Miss Eva D. Kneeland, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kneeland, prominent residents of this city. Mr. Bick gives his political support to the republican party, for he deems that its policy best conserves national progress, and he is a member of the Toledo Golf Club and the Toledo Automobile Club. He has made good use of his opportunities and has steadily progressed since his initial step was made in the business world. He is energetic, straightforward and honorably ambitious and measures up to the highest standards of personal honor and present-day business ethics.

WILLIAM L. MILNER

From obscurity men have risen to greatness. From modest beginnings they have advanced to wealth and their progress often has marked a new era in the development of the community with which they have been identified. Such was the career of W. L. Milner, who rose to a commanding position in mercantile circles, not only in Toledo, but also in Detroit. In both cities he was recognized as one of the greatest department store organizers and developers in the entire country. For thirty years he was associated with the commercial interests of Toledo and not only built up his own fortune but contributed also in notable measure to the growth and prosperity of the city. There was no plan or project for the city's good for which his aid was sought in vain.

William L. Milner was born at Atlanta, Illinois, where he received public and high school education. At the age of eighteen years he located at Hartford, Kansas, and began clerking; at twenty-one he started in business for himself with a small general store.

His success was immediate, and he soon became the leading merchant, winning a very substantial measure of prosperity through the conduct of the business. In 1888, while in Hartford, Kansas, Mr. Milner was married to Miss Anna Johnston and to them were born a son, John W., who died at the age of sixteen, and a daughter, Mary, who is the wife of Edgar R. Thom of Detroit.

Desiring a larger field for operations Mr. Milner came to Toledo and soon acquired an interest in the Toledo branch store of Burnham Stoepel & Company of Detroit. A short time later he purchased the interests of his partners and organized W. L. Milner & Company.

With honest dealing as his ideal, he soon began to be known in the trade as an expert in department store development. However, not until he acquired complete control of what is now the business bearing his name, did his resourcefulness, his

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vision, and keen business judgment have full play. The remarkable development of W. L. Milner & Company was one of the results of his constructive forethought and concentration. He made this one of the leading mercantile establishments in Toledo and this section of the state. Later he became associated with Joseph J. Crowley of Detroit, formerly with Burnham Stoepel & Company, but subsequently a wholesale dry goods merchant of that city. They established what has grown to be one of the largest department stores in Detroit, operating under the name of Crowley, Milner & Company. Mr. Milner was president of both corporations and a member of the Detroit Board of Commerce.

While his business interests called him often to Detroit, he manifested a genuine devotion to Toledo as the place of his residence, was always ambitious for the city's development, and as the years passed did much important civic work. In 1907 he accepted the presidency of the Chamber of Commerce and under his courageous leadership a reorganization was effected under the name of Toledo Commerce Club, with enlarged influence and efficiency. Mr. Milner was ever actuated by a most progressive spirit and in the accomplishment of his purposes employed very practical and resultant methods. He was instrumental in bringing to Toledo the late George B. Storer, for the position of secretary of the revitalized Toledo Commerce Club, and it soon became a power in civic affairs.

When the street car franchise problem, which had been the great issue in many political campaigns, reached a crisis, Mr. Milner, as chairman of the commission appointed by Judge Killits (of the U. S. district court) developed what is known as the service-at-cost franchise. In the campaign for the passage of the ordinance, Mr. Milner personally addressed many groups of citizens in behalf of a clear, intelligent understanding of the plan, and a settlement for all time of Toledo's street car problem. After its acceptance by the voters Mr. Milner was appointed by the City Sinking Fund Commission as the city's representative on the board of directors of the Community Traction Company, in recognition of his splendid work in its behalf.

By reason of his marked ability and resourcefulness Mr. Milner was called upon to cooperate in many important business and commercial organizations which have largely shaped the commercial history of Toledo. For many years he was a member of the board of directors of the Northern National Bank and served with the same quiet effectiveness which characterized all his activities. While devoting long hours to business and community interests, he also had time for much needed relaxation, and was a member of the leading clubs of both cities, and for several years prior to his death was president of the Country Club of Toledo.

The most recent evidence of Mr. Milner's civic spirit was his activity in behalf of the Willys-Overland Company, when it seemed almost certain the great plant would be lost to Toledo and removed to Elizabeth, New Jersey. Mr. Milner, with other Toledo civic and financial leaders, was called upon to assist in keeping the plant in Toledo. He became a member of the board of directors of the company, and devoted a large part of his time and ability to the solution of its complex problems.

Mr. Milner's death occurred early in September of 1922, following an automobile accident the middle of August, and the news of his death came as a great sorrow to his friends and the community as well. While driving from Detroit to Toledo, he was forced into a ditch in an effort to avoid collision with another car, his car overturned, and he received severe injuries, which resulted fatally two weeks later.

The commanding position which Mr. Milner held in business, his civic leadership and worthy achievements were recognized in many fine tributes to his memory by his associates and the press. At this time Mayor Brough said: "In the death of W. L. Milner, Toledo loses an able, aggressive civic leader, a progressive business man and a good citizen. His interest and devotion to the community which made his success possible has never waned and his passing marks the contribution of a lifetime spent in furtherance of the ideal of making Toledo a bigger and better place to live in."

The Toledo Blade spoke of him as one of Toledo's finest civic leaders, and said in part: "In his long residence in Toledo, W. L. Milner has established a reputation not only as one of the financial magnates of the city but as one of the strongest, most constructive civic leaders this city has known. His more than thirty years in Toledo have been marked not only by personal success but also by constructive direction in civic affairs of practically every kind."

Further tribute to Mr. Milner as a business man was paid by Thomas A. De Vilbiss, president of the Toledo Commerce Club, who said: "I am deeply shocked by the death of Mr. Milner and almost at a loss for words to express my admiration for this splendid citizen and remarkable business man, who was always behind every movement that had for its purpose the upbuilding of Toledo, no matter in what field. He felt a deep and lasting pride in his home city and never hesitated to express his affection for it and his belief in its great future. He will be sadly missed in the circles in which he moved and the absence of his guiding hand and influence in countless other Toledo activities will be felt for years to come. Toledo can ill afford to lose such a noble, sterling citizen, merchant and civic worker as W. L. Milner. His untimely death is a distinct blow to the entire community."

While under the caption "Detroit loses with Toledo," the Detroit Times said editorially: "William L. Milner was a builder. He was not content with the successes he personally attained—he shared them with the communities which contributed to his achievement. His death is a loss to the city. As one of the founders of Crowley, Milner & Company, Mr. Milner established relationships here that made him as much a citizen of Detroit as of Toledo. He felt the obligations of that citizenship and contributed his thought and energy to the solution of public problems. To his last resting place today Detroit sends its tribute to his memory."

The Willys-Overland Company, through one of the executives, said: "Toledo in general and the Willys-Overland Company in particular will feel keenly the loss of Mr. Milner. Since he became associated with the Overland as a member of its board of directors and executive committee last February, his keen business judgment and high sense of business integrity have been of immense value to us. Mr. Milner never missed an Overland board or committee meeting, notwithstanding that his only reward was the strengthening of the Willys-Overland plant. But he saw in that much for Toledo. He made other business trips, including even his frequent trips to his large interests in Detroit, subservient to Overland meetings. Toledo has lost a sound, aggressive and constructive business and civic leader."

Quoting from the News Bee: "It would seem that the tragic death of W. L. Milner belongs to that class which we call 'untimely.' It seems untimely for Mr. Milner himself, taken suddenly when in the prime of his life and in the proper enjoyment of well earned success. It seems untimely for this city, de-

prived of a citizen who had broad ideas of civic usefulness and had arrived at a period where he could give time and service to his city. The best thing that can favor any community is to have men and women with ideals of real community service and with ability and opportunity to follow their ideals. They serve and stimulate both by their work and their example. Mr. Milner had battled his way up from the bottom to financial success. His affairs had been so adjusted that he was able to enjoy wholesome leisure and still have time to do something for his city and his fellow citizens. He had been for many years a student and a wide reader along social and sociological lines. He knew the radical and the conservative viewpoints and judged them with the native shrewdness and good sense that guided his business affairs. He seemed to be a man who would for another generation be of great use in the community. Suddenly the success that he had fairly won and the leisure and opportunity to enjoy it were taken from him. Suddenly and tragically the city was deprived of a good citizen, a constructive and farseeing servitor. When men die, wearied and ready for rest, at the end of the allotted threescore years and ten, it seems fitting and timely. But the passing of an active, enterprising, honorable, useful citizen in the prime of his manhood belongs to the class of 'untimely deaths.' "

The board of directors of the Northern National Bank gave expression to the following: "In the untimely death of W. L. Milner, who has been a loyal and valued member of the board of directors of the Northern National Bank for the past twelve years, this bank and the entire business community have suffered an irreparable loss. To know him was to respect and love him. He was a strong, resourceful man, who never evaded any responsibility. The quiet, effective manner in which he discharged his many duties will ever be an inspiration to his associates. He walked the path of life confidently and courageously, with eyes fixed upon the highest ideals. He gave unstintingly of his service to our city in whose future he had unbounded faith. His influence in this community will long endure. Coming to Toledo from the west as a young man without influential friends or capital, but with a large vision and a determination to succeed, he built up a splendid business that he leaves as a monument to his untiring efforts. In the deepest sorrow we pay this tribute to his memory and extend to his bereaved family the assurance of our sincerest sympathy."

He was not only a successful merchant, but a man of high ideals whose personal worth was recognized by all, and throughout his life he stood for those things which have real value as constructive elements in the world's work.

GRIER BERNARD CORRY

Grier Bernard Corry, vice president and general manager of the Lion Store, one of Toledo's foremost mercantile houses, has been prominently identified with the city's business interests for more than fifteen years. A native of Georgia, Mr. Corry was born in Greensboro, September 17, 1879, a son of John Alexander and Mary (Waller) Corry. The father was a wholesale merchant carrying on business in the south for many years.

Grier B. Corry obtained his education in public and private schools and started out in the business world as a clerk in a dry goods store in Augusta, Georgia. The beginning was modest, but he applied himself faithfully and steadily worked

his way upward, learning valuable lessons in the school of experience and thus broadening his efficiency and power as a factor in commercial circles. In 1908 he came to Toledo, where he entered into active association with the Lion Store. Acquiring interests therein, he has since become vice president and general manager. The Lion Store organization has a chain of twenty-nine stores and is thus in control of an immense business, covering a wide territory. The business is thoroughly systematized in every particular, a splendid organization having been built up.

On the 14th of February, 1909, Mr. Corry was married to Miss Emily Bailie of Augusta, Georgia, whose death occurred February 27, 1919, leaving many friends whose kindly regard she had won during her residence in Toledo. Mr. Corry was chosen as the mercantile representative for the Rotary Club, in which he now holds membership. He is also a member of the Toledo Club, Commerce Club, and the Inverness Club. In his life are the elements of greatness because of the use he has made of his talents and his opportunities. In his business life he has been a persistent, resolute and energetic worker, and strictly conscientious in his dealings with debtor, creditor, or employe alike. Mr. Corry is one of Toledo's most prominent merchants and valued citizens.

JAMES M. ASHLEY

James M. Ashley, a resident of Toledo, Ohio, from 1851 to his death in 1896, a member of congress from the Toledo district from 1859 to 1869 and afterward governor of Montana and builder of the Toledo, Ann Arbor & North Michigan Railroad, was born near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on the 24th of November, 1822, and was a son of John Clinton and Mary Ann (Kirkpatrick) Ashley. His grandfather, Rev. Benjamin Ashley, was for many years a prominent minister of the Baptist church of Norfolk, Virginia. It is supposed that the direct lineage traces back to Captain John Ashley, who was one of the signers of the second Virginia charter. One William Ashley, in all probability the great-grandfather of the subject of this memoir, was master's mate in the Virginia navy during the Revolutionary war. Therefore, it seems that James M. Ashley derived from his father a southern and English strain and from the distaff side derived a Celtic strain, as the family name of his mother fully indicates.

James M. Ashley was but four years old when, in 1826, his parents removed from the old Keystone state to Ohio and established their residence at Portsmouth, Scioto county, where the father established a bookbinding business, having served in Pittsburgh a thorough apprenticeship to the bookbinders' trade when he was a youth. At Portsmouth James M. Ashley received his early educational discipline, which was necessarily meager, as school facilities in the pioneer locality and period were very limited. His parents were folk of deep religious convictions and it was the earnest desire of his father, who himself entered the ministry about 1840, that James should become a preacher of the gospel, but for some cause the youth refused, and when about fourteen years of age ran away from home. The adventurous and self-reliant lad soon found employment as a cabin boy on one of the packet-boats plying the Ohio river, and later he was promoted to the office of clerk on one of these early steamboats. For several years thereafter he followed a roving life, wandering through a number of states and working first at one thing and then another. During

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his service on the Ohio river Mr. Ashley, like Abraham Lincoln when similarly engaged in his earlier years, was a witness of the darkest side of the slave traffic and, like the great emancipator, early developed an abhorrence for the entire system, with the result that he resolved to do all in his power to aid in stamping out the obnoxious institution whenever opportunity presented. He often assisted runaway slaves—a criminal offense and an extremely dangerous operation in a then pro-slavery region —and he became in this way a component part of the great and historic "underground railway," through the medium of which so many fugitive slaves were assisted on their way to freedom.

Mr. Ashley finally returned to Portsmouth, Ohio, where he learned the printer's trade and where he later instituted the publication of a newspaper, the democratic "Enquirer," which he was soon compelled to sell, by reason of lack of adequate capital. In 1851 he removed to Toledo, where he established a wholesale drug business in a building at the corner of Summit and Jefferson streets. In 1854 he took an active part in establishing in the Toledo district the newly founded republican party, this having been effected by a convention that was assembled in the village of Maumee, Lucas county. Later he attended an important convention, composed of many of the leaders of the new party, that assembled in the city of Pittsburgh, early in the year 1856. In the summer of the same year he was chosen delegate to the national republican convention, held in Philadelphia, to nominate its first candidates for president and vice president of the United States and to draft a party platform. At first Mr. Ashley supported Salmon P. Chase of Ohio, for presidential nomination, but later he cast his ballot for General John C. Fremont, who finally became the official standard-bearer of the republican party in the election of that year.

Somewhat later Mr. Ashley delivered before a vast assemblage at Montpelier, Ohio, an address which marked him as a radical anti-slavery man and placed him in the front ranks of the abolitionists. In this speech he said: "Conspirators are at this very hour laying broad and deep the conditions which are certain to ultimate in a revolution of fire and blood that must either result in the destruction of this Union and government or in the abolition of slavery." This prophetic dictum was substantially the same as that given by President Lincoln in 1858, when he said: "This nation cannot endure permanently half slave and half free."

In 1858 Mr. Ashley was nominated and elected to congress as a republican, from the Toledo district, and in the lower house of the national legislature he served ten years. At Washington he soon became recognized as a leader in republican councils and as an uncompromising abolitionist. In the first session of congress after the election of President Lincoln, Mr. Ashley introduced a bill for the total abolition of slavery in the District of Columbia, but this bill, by reason of its radical features, met with little support. In company with Hon. Lot Morrill of Maine, he drafted another bill, of less drastic nature, which made provision for the appropriation of one million dollars to compensate the slave owners of the District of Columbia for the loss of their slaves, and this bill was passed April 11, 1862. On the 14th of December, 1863, Mr. Ashley introduced a proposition to amend the constitution of the United States by abolishing slavery. On June 15, 1864, this measure, not securing the necessary two-thirds vote, was defeated in the house of representatives. Seeing that the measure had failed to pass Mr. Ashley changed his vote to the negative so that he might have the power under the rules of the house to move a reconsideration. A few days after this he was asked in the house by Holman of Indiana, whether he intended to call up the reconsideration at the pending session. He replied that he did not, adding emphatically, "The issue is now made up and will go to the

people of the country at the election in November. When they decide in its favor, as I believe they will, I trust this house will then reconsider the measure and pass it."

These events placed Mr. Ashley in parliamentary control of the measure and his management of it was characterized by unusual skill, tact and earnestness. In the then existing house of representatives the republicans had only a small majority over the democrats, and to get a two-thirds vote in favor of the amendment required the conversion of a large number of democrats and border statesmen. This was a matter of extreme delicacy, as it was generally believed (and indeed turned out to be the fact), that any democrat or border state man who voted in favor of the amendment would thereby bring about his own political death. In the endeavor to find members of the opposition who would support the amendment, Mr. Ashley was assisted by Henry Winter Davis of Maryland and others. Time, however, was working in favor of the measure. The success of the armies of the north became more evident as time wore on, and after Sherman's march through Georgia and Hood's defeat at Nashville, was no longer in doubt. The question which the democrats of the house and the country in general had then to decide was whether the war should end without the decisive disposal of the question which had caused it—whether slavery should continue to be an agitating cause of disorder in the country or should be abolished. Mr. Ashley received such assurance of support that he called up his motion to reconsider on the 6th of January, 1865, making an exceedingly earnest and eloquent speech appealing to the patriotic feelings of the members of the house, saying in conclusion: "Pass this resolution and no such rebellion will ever be possible again. I feel as if no member of this house will ever live to witness an hour more memorable in our history than the one in which each for himself shall make a record on the question now before us. I implore gentlemen to forget party and remember that we are making a record not only for ourselves individually but for the nation and the cause of free government throughout the world."

The measure came to a vote on January 31, 1865, amid greater excitement than had ever been seen in the house of representatives. The result was uncertain until almost the last moment, and when the speaker declared the measure carried, and the disorder had partially abated, Ernest Ingersoll of Illinois said: "Mr. Speaker, in honor of this immortal and sublime event, I move this house do now adjourn." The motion was carried and thus ended the most important episode in the life of Mr. Ashley, as it was also one of the most important things in human history; for thereafter it was provided in the language of the thirteenth amendment of the national constitution that "Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime, whereof the party shall have been dully convicted, shall exist in the United States, or in any place subject to their jurisdiction."

When the measure was pending in congress certain gentlemen in Philadelphia raised a large sum of money and put it in the hands of Mr. Ashley, saying in effect, "We realize the tremendous importance of an early passage of this measure before the southern states are again represented in congress and are able to impede its passage. Considering that some democrats and border state men who wish to vote for the measure might be deterred by reason of the personal disaster it might bring upon them, we think best to give you this money for use among them in necessary and proper cases." None of the money was, however, in fact used and it was all returned through the channels by which it came. Thomas A. Scott, afterward president of the Pennsylvania Railroad, was cognizant of these circumstances which probably had a material influence in inducing him to assist Mr. Ashley at a later time of his life when building the Toledo, Ann Arbor & North Michigan Railway.

He commenced the impeachment proceedings against President Andrew Johnson, in 1867, by charging the chief executive with usurpation of power and violation of the laws of the United States, by corruptly using the appointing, pardoning and veto powers, and about the same time he offered an amendment to the constitution of the United States, providing for the election of the president by direct vote of the people. As chairman of the congressional committee on territories, Mr. Ashley rendered effective service in establishing, naming and organizing Idaho, Arizona and Montana. In 1868 he was defeated for reelection to congress, and in the following year he was appointed territorial governor of Montana, but he was removed from office at the end of a year, owing to a disagreement with President Grant. This vitally marked his retirement from the political arena and his return to private life. He was at this time financially a poor man, but, observing that a railroad extending northwest from Toledo across the peninsula of Michigan would serve as an outlet for a valuable and productive territory that was then largely without such facilities, he soon took steps to construct such a line. Mr. Ashley went to the east, where he interested capitalists in the project and secured valuable terminal facilities in Toledo from the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at a figure far below their real value. With his eldest son, James M., Jr., he constructed the proposed road, which became known as the Toledo, Ann Arbor & North Michigan Railroad, and they also established and operated a fleet of train-carrying ferryboats between the terminal of the above railroad on the shores of Lake Michigan and Gladstone, Michigan, on the upper peninsula of the state and on the opposite shore of the lake. The new railway soon became one of the important transportation lines of the northwest and enabled Mr. Ashley to retrieve his shattered fortune. On the line of the railroad thus developed by him was established, in Gratiot county, Michigan, a town that was named Ashley in his honor and the same is now a thriving village.

In 1890 Mr. Ashley reentered politics and again secured the republican nomination for congress in the Toledo district, but he failed to gain the support of all of the party leaders in the district and was defeated at the polls. In 1892 he was again the republican nominee for the same office, but he was again unsuccessful. Mr. Ashley died at Alma, Michigan, on the 16th of September, 1896, leaving a widow and four children.

In the year 1851 Mr. Ashley was married to Miss Emma J. Smith of Portsmouth, Ohio, and the four children born of this union are: James M., who died in November, 1919; Henry W.; Charles S.; and Mary, who is the wife of Edward R. Hewitt of New York city.

JOSEPH FRIEDMAN

Joseph Friedman, who was identified with one of the large cloak manufacturing concerns of Toledo and in fact was very active in the upbuilding and development of the business until it reached its present extensive proportions, came to this city from Illinois but was a native of Hungary, his parents being Herman and Betty Friedman of Kassa, Hungary, where the family for generations was engaged in the manufacture of soap. Representatives of the name continue the business there and the present plant is one of the finest in that country. The family is one of liberal education and culture.

Joseph Friedman was educated in the schools of his native country and in

early life came to America, making his way first to Chicago, where he joined relatives who had preceded him to the new world. In that city he started upon his business career, being first employed as an errand boy. He worked with a cloak manufacturing concern and there gained an intimate and accurate knowledge of the business, his experience there proving the practice ground for his later success when he turned his attention to activity of that character in Toledo. However, in the meantime, when twenty-one years of age, he went to Mendota, Illinois, where he began business on his own account but was unfortunate in his choice of a partner and the experience proved a disastrous one, Mr. Friedman losing all that he had. Undiscouraged, he attempted to make another start and came to Toledo. Here he became associated with the cloak manufacturing firm of Cohen, Friedlander & Martin. Theirs was a small concern, then on Huron street, now located on Erie street. Mr. Friedman began as a cutter but soon demonstrated his capability to the firm and was admitted to a partnership. He became the buyer for the house and took a prominent and active part in the upbuilding of the business, which became one of the prosperous concerns of this character in the city. He was constantly reaching out alone broadening lines and his activity proved a resultant force in the development of the trade. He remained with the business until his sudden demise on the 9th of April, 1919.

Eighteen years prior to this time Joseph Friedman was united in marriage to Miss Mary Holt, the wedding being celebrated on the 9th of October, 1901. She was a daughter of Charles and Laura Holt and her father was a dry goods merchant who conducted an extensive business. Mr. and Mrs. Friedman became the parents of two children; Bessie and Herbert Charles. Mr. Friedman belonged to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and he also had membership with the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith and with Collingwood Temple B'nai Israel. He was a man of pleasing personality, of kindly heart and charitable disposition. He gave generously to others but always unostentatiously and was extremely kind and considerate of his employes. The same sterling qualities characterized his connection with all with whom he came into contact. He found his recreation and joy at his own fireside and was devoted to the welfare and happiness of his wife and children. Though several years have passed since he was called to the home beyond, his family constantly hear stories of his gencrosity and kindly deeds. He was esteemed by Jew and Gentile, by old and young, by rich and poor, and he left to his family not only a substantial competence as the reward of his persistent and earnest labor but also the priceless heritage of an untarnished name.

WILLIAM SPOONER WALBRIDGE

William Spooner Walbridge, vice president of the Owens Bottle Machine Company of Toledo and connected also with other prominent manufacturing and commercial interests of the city, which establishes his position as one of the foremost representatives of business activity and advancement here, was born in Boston, Massachusetts, September 19, 1854, and is descended in both the paternal and maternal lines from notable New England families. He is a son of Levi and Isabel Clarissa (Lovering) Walbridge. The ancestry in the paternal line is traced back to Henry Walbridge, who married Anna Ames of Norwich, Connecticut, early in the year 1681. Both were descendants of English settlers. The branch of the family

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from which William Spooner Walbridge is descended, migrated as early settlers to Hartford, Vermont, and later to Randolph, Vermont, where his father, Levi Walbridge, was born. The latter wedded Isabel Clarissa Lovering, a daughter of Major John Lovering, a soldier of the War of 1812. This marriage was celebrated at South Newmarket, New Hampshire, and later Levi Walbridge removed with his wife to Boston, Massachusetts, where the immediate subject of this review was born. On both sides the family was typically New England, living in four of the New England states—Connecticut, Vermont, New Hampshire and Massachusetts—and both families were identified with the French and Indian war, the Colonial wars, the Revolutionary war, the War of 1812, the Mexican and the Civil war, manifesting the utmost loyalty to the country through all periods of military strife.

William S. Walbridge acquired his early education in the public schools of Boston and when still quite young entered the employ of the firm of Brooks & Walbridge Brothers, of which his father was a partner. Later the business was taken over by the Walbridge brothers and William S. Walbridge finally succeeded to an interest in the business, under the name of Walbridge & Briggs, as senior partner. All of these different concerns were engaged in the furniture business in Boston and through this connection William S. Walbridge rose to prominence as a representative of the mercantile interests of his native city. In 1898, however, he disposed of his business to his partner, Mr. Briggs, for one dollar and accepted the position of treasurer of the Toledo Glass Company. He was then forty-three years of age and yet at that time he began business over again. This position opened up to him an interest in the glass industry which obtains to the present day and has been followed through the many developments projected by the Toledo company, which in effect have revolutionized the glass industry of the world. The Toledo interests at this time were developing the inventions of Michael J. Owens in the manufacture of table tumblers and later of lamp chimneys and following the sale of these inventions they took up the manufacture of bottles, automatically culminating in the Owens Bottle Machine Company, with which Mr. Walbridge is still associated as the vice president. The history of the Owens Company is well known as a most important chapter in the business interests of Toledo. The business is a monument to Edward Drummond Libbey and Michael J. Owens, as well as to others early associated with the company. It has long figured as one of the most important features in the business development of Toledo and the initiative, enterprise and inventive genius of those behind the corporation have led to the notable development of the glass industry in America. In addition to his connection with the Owens Bottle Machine Company, Mr. Walbridge is also president of the Kent-Owens Company of Toledo, manufacturers of special automatic machinery, principally the machines used by the Owens Bottle Company, the Libbey-Owens Sheet Glass Company and the Westlake Machine Company. In fact, theirs is one of the largest and best equipped plants in Ohio for the manufacture of all kinds of automatic machinery. Mr. Walbridge is furthermore associated with the Northern National Bank as a director and is the vice president of the Citizens Safe Deposit & Banking Company and of the Collin-Norton Company, while with various Toledo industries he is financially connected. His cooperation is considered a most valuable asset in connection with the capable management of important business affairs and he is a most prominent representative of corporate interests in this city.

Mr. Walbridge was united in marriage to Miss Alice Langdon Libbey, a sister

of Edward D. Libbey of Toledo, and their children are: Marie, the wife of Colonel George P. Greenhalgh of Toledo; and Edward Langdon, vice president of the Kent-Owens Machine Company. Mr. Walbridge maintains his home "Stonecroft," at Perrysburg, having developed a splendid estate on the banks of the Maumee river, opposite the site of Fort Miami. His summer residence, "Dunworkin" is at Lake Tarleton Club, Pike, New Hampshire. At the present time, although connected with the various interests referred to above, Mr. Walbridge is not actively engaged in the management of these, for like other successful business men after years of activity, he believes that he is entitled to enjoy a respite from labor during his remaining days and benefit by the fruits of his former toil. He belongs to the Toledo Club, the Commerce Club, the Country Club, and the Anthony Wayne chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. His career is typical of the virility of the American character that readily adapts itself to situations and untrammeled by custom or tradition makes adequate use of advantage and opportunity. With an ancestry back of him that is honorable and distinguished, his lines of life have been cast in harmony therewith and his successful accomplishment represents the forcefulness of individual character as applied to the highest standards of commercial life.

BARTON SMITH

Prominent among the distinguished representatives of the Toledo bar is Barton Smith, who completed his law course in the University of Michigan in 1875 and has since devoted his attention to active practice. His birthplace was a farm at Channahon, Will county, Illinois, and his natal day June 2, 1852. He was the eldest in a family of ten children whose parents were Charles Claibourne and Corinza (Burr) Smith, the father being a farmer and stock raiser of Will county, Illinois, where he passed away in 1892. The mother, a native of Indiana, had become a resident of Will county, in 1832 and at the time of her demise was the oldest continuous resident of that county. She was a descendant of the well known Burr family of Hartford, Connecticut, whose ancestors were established on American soil in 1630.

Liberal educational advantages were accorded Barton Smith, who supplemented his early public school training by study in the University of Michigan, there completing his literary course with the class of 1872, at which time the Bachelor of Science degree was conferred upon him with commencement honors for scholarship. The succeeding year was spent on his father's farm and in that period he became thoroughly convinced that he desired to enter upon a professional career. Accordingly he returned to Ann Arbor and there pursued his law course to his graduation in 1875, receiving his LL. B. degree. It was upon the advice of Judge Cooley, one of the most eminent American lawyers and jurists and formerly an instructor in the University of Michigan, that Mr. Smith came to Toledo immediately after the completion of his law course. Here he entered into partnership with Frederick L. Geddes and when that firm was dissolved in July, 1881, he became a partner in the firm of Baker, Smith & Baker, the association being maintained until the death of the senior partner, William Baker, in November, 1894. The practice was then continued by Barton Smith and Rufus H. Baker under the style of Smith & Baker until 1914, when they were joined by Erwin R. Effler and Maurice Allen, and later

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LeRoy E. Eastman was admitted to partnership under the present style of Smith, Baker, Effler, Allen & Eastman, recognized as one of the leading law firms of Ohio. At an early period of his professional career Mr. Smith became attracted by real estate law, in which he specialized, his marked ability soon obtaining for him a substantial degree of success. Regarding Mr. Smith's professional experience and character, the well known Judge John H. Doyle said: "He possesses the clearest and most analytical mind of any man of his age that I have met. He is great in the solution of intricate legal questions involving philosophical study. He has a peculiarly logical mind and is a great student of the authorities. He is very popular and successful. He is an intense man, earnest, self-sacrificing in his duties; thorough, working out every detail and examining every authority, even at the sacrifice of his health. He is very strong before a jury, a fascinating speaker—logical, clear, pointed and impressive, always courteous toward opposing counsel. He is a man of spotless character. I know no man who is his superior in personal integrity and none who has a higher sense of professional honor." Possessed of these qualities, it is not remarkable that Mr. Smith has so long maintained a most honored and honorable position as a representative of the legal profession in Ohio. He has long specialized in corporation law and with this branch of jurisprudence is notably familiar. He has represented some of the most important business interests operating in the state, including the Connecticut Mutual Insurance Company, the Milburn Wagon Company, the Toledo Blade Company and the Sun Oil Company. Mr. Smith has been identified with the Toledo Blade Company since 1879, became a director in 1883 and in 1920 was made president of the corporation. He has conducted much important litigation in behalf of the city, winning success for Toledo in the memorable case that arose out of the City Pipe Line litigation. He was also instrumental in sustaining the validity of the legislation under which the present splendid filtration plant of Toledo was constructed. He became attorney for the street railway companies upon their consolidation and for thirty-two years occupied the position of corporation lawyer with the street railway interests, promoting in a measure much of the development of the line, leading ultimately to the present organization.

Aside from his profession Mr. Smith has rendered most active service in behalf of public welfare along many lines. Such is the public regard for his opinion that his endorsement of a measure is sure to secure for it a strong following. He has always given his political allegiance to the democratic party and has been a thorough and discriminating student of the important issues that have divided the two great parties. He served as a delegate to the democratic national convention in Chicago, where he opposed bimetallism. He has never consented to serve in political office, however, and has held no positions of public preferment save that of member of the school board, the cause of education finding in him a stalwart champion and one whose labors have been indeed far-reaching and beneficial. In May, 1921, Mr. Smith was appointed by President Harding representative of the United States on the arbitral commission for the determination of the claim of Landreau against the republic of Peru and sat at the hearing and determination of the commission at London, England, in October, 1922.

On Christmas day of 1877, Mr. Smith was united in marriage to Miss May Searles, a native of Kendall county, Illinois, and they became parents of a son and a daughter. The former, Clifford Charles, was graduated from the Toledo high school in 1897 and afterward became a student in the University of Michigan but near the close of his freshman year was drowned, on the 6th of June, 1899,

when but twenty years of age. A young man of splendid prospects, strong intellectual powers and most pleasing personality, his death was deeply deplored. The daughter, Mildred Barton, was graduated from Smead Seminary in Toledo, studied for a year at Geneva, Switzerland, and is now the wife of Maurice Allen, who is one of her father's law partners.

Mr. Smith is very prominent in Masonic circles, having joined Sanford L. Collins Lodge, No. 396, F. & A. M., in 1876. He at once began to study the great basic principles upon which the order is founded and they called forth his keenest endorsement. He was soon elected to a minor position in the craft and since that time has steadily advanced until he is one of the most widely known Masons in the entire country. When a contest was on between the Masonic bodies and the spurious branch known as Cerneauism he was employed to conduct the litigation and was the constant adviser of the grand master in this particular. He won victory in the contest in both the grand lodge and in the courts. His valuable service to the fraternity is indicated in the fact that in 1887 the honorary thirty-third degree was conferred upon him and in 1894 he was crowned an active member of the Supreme Council thirty-third degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, U. S. A. Two years later he was made grand master of the grand lodge and grand commander of the grand commandery of Ohio, filling both positions at the same time with marked capability. In 1907 he was a delegate to the Conference of Supreme Councils of the World in Brussels and was vice president of this conference, which met at Washington three years later and again at Lausanne, Switzerland, in 1922. He was deputy for Ohio from January, 1906, until appointed puissant grand lieutenant commander in 1909. In September, 1910, he was called to the highest office—that of most puissant sovereign grand commander, continuing therein until September, 1921. In fact, Mr. Smith has filled every office within the gift of the Masonic order and some of his other honors in this connection are as follows: He was made an honorary member of Detroit Commandery, No. 1, K. T., in 1881; honorary member of the Supreme Council for France in May, 1912; honorary member of the Supreme Council for Mexico, November 27, 1912; honorary member of the Supreme Council for Greece in December, 1912; honorary member of Delaware Consistory, Wilmington, Delaware, May 23, 1913; honorary member of the Supreme Council for Canada, October 23, 1913; honorary member of the Masonic Veterans Association of Illinois in 1915; honorary life member of Ohio Consistory, Cincinnati, Ohio, February 25, 1916; honorary member of the American Consistory Club, organized from members of the soldier class from Camp Meigs at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in November, 1917; honorary member of the Barton Smith National Defense Class, organized from class of three hundred and thirty-seven members of the Officers' Training Camp at Plattsburg, New York, November 24, 1917; honorary member of the Supreme Council for England, Wales and the Dependencies of the British Crown, May 16, 1918; and honorary member of the American Masonic Club, U. S. A., P. O. 708, A. E. F., June 1, 1918. This is a club of Master Masons, representing about one hundred and seventy-five blue lodges throughout the United States. He was likewise made an honorary member of the Scottish Rite Association of Norwalk, Ohio, in February, 1919; honorary sovereign grand commander of the Supreme Council of Italy, April 30, 1919; honorary president of the Masonic Committee of the Jubilee at Rome, September 20, 1920; and honorary member of the Supreme Council of Colon for Cuba, March 12, 1921. He is an honorary member of Barton Smith Lodge, No. 613, F. & A. M., of Toledo, named in his honor,

and he has been termed "the most eminent Masonic statesman and the greatest Masonic executive of his time." In every field of labor to which he has directed his efforts results highly satisfactory have been obtained. He never stops short of the successful accomplishment of his purpose and thus it is that he has rendered signal service to mankind, because at all times he has been actuated by the highest principles and most advanced ideals. Few men have so fully realized and met the obligations of life or have realized to a greater degree the opportunity for service. No opportunity of this character has he neglected and throughout the years of his residence in Toledo his course has reflected credit and honor upon the people who have honored him.

J. ALEXANDER NAVARRE

J. Alexander Navarre, a descendant of one of the honored pioneer families of this section of the country, is prominently connected with the lumber industry and is numbered among Toledo's successful business men and highly respected citizens. He was born in Monroe, Michigan, October 22, 1872, and his parents were Alexander T. and Marietta (Peltier) Navarre. The famous scout, Peter Navarre, was one of the early representatives of the family in the Western Reserve and the subject of this review has in his possession many valuable letters and papers concerning the pioneer epoch in the history of this district, which were preserved by his great-grandfather, grandfather and uncles. Among these historic manuscripts are deeds recording the transfer of land from the Indians to the white settlers, many of these documents dating as far back as 1785, while the letters consist of communications between his great-grandfather and persons of high rank. Alexander T. Navarre, the father, was also a native of Monroe, Michigan, and there he was reared, educated and married. For many years he served as county treasurer of Monroe county and he also devoted his attention to the cultivation and improvement of a farm. He was an honored veteran of the Civil war, entering the service in 1863 as a member of the famous Seventh Michigan Volunteer Infantry, and he was discharged at the close of hostilities in 1865, at which time he was holding the rank of lieutenant. He was one of the most highly respected men in his community and filled many public positions of trust and responsibility. Both Mr. and Mrs. Navarre are deceased. Of the ten children born to their union, five are living: George W. C., who is connected with the Detroit Soda Products Company of Detroit, Michigan; Leo J., who is cashier and manager of The Essexville State Bank, of Essexville, Michigan; Mrs. Benjamin Dansard, of Monroe, Michigan; Edith, who is unmarried and is employed by the Valentine & Clarke Company of Spokane, Washington; and J. Alexander of this review.

In the public schools of his native town and a commercial college at Berlin, in the province of Ontario, Canada, Mr. Navarre obtained his education and after completing his course in the latter institution he returned to Monroe, Michigan, where he was connected with business interests for a time. He then came to Toledo and entered the employ of the Bissell Company, manufacturers of electrical fixtures and carpet sweepers. He was placed in charge of their lumber department and remained in their service for nine years, also engaging in the lumber business independently during a portion of that period. In 1913 he resigned his position and has since been manager of sales in the territory east of the Mississippi

river, for the Valentine & Clarke Company of Spokane, Washington, of which he is a director, maintaining his headquarters in Toledo. They handle cedar poles and posts and Mr. Navarre is well qualified for the responsibilities of his position, for he possesses a comprehensive understanding of the lumber business, and his intelligently directed efforts have materially promoted the sales of the company in the district of which he has charge.

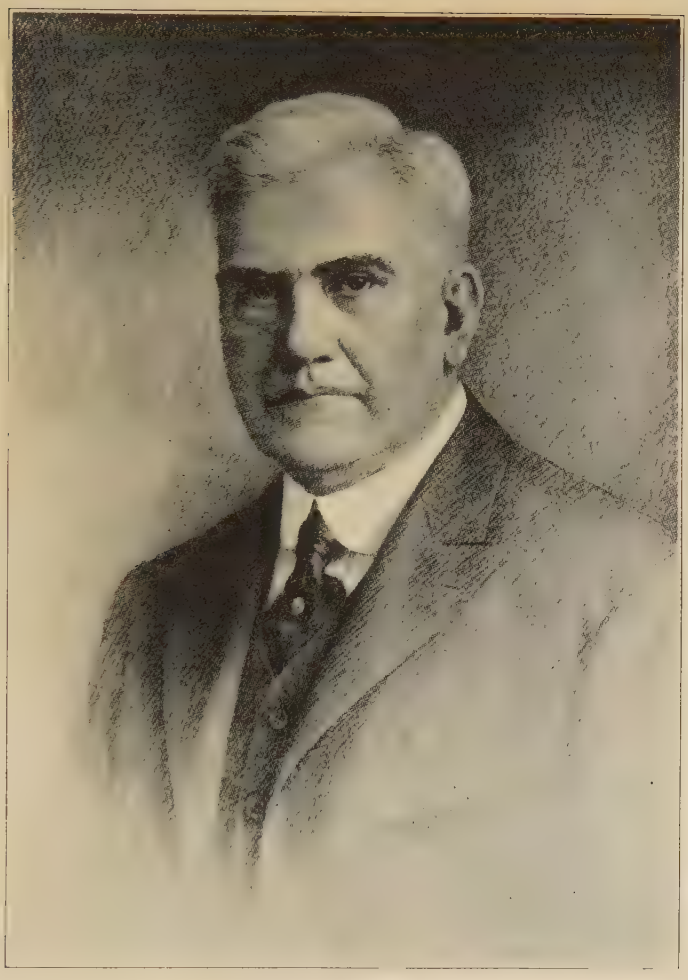
At Sturgis, Michigan, on the 22d of April, 1896, Mr. Navarre was married to Miss Frances Isabelle Skirvin, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Marion Skirvin of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Navarre have five children: Joseph A., who was born in Chicago, Illinois, in 1904 and was graduated from the high school at Monroe, Michigan, in 1922; Francis James, who was born at Monroe in 1908 and is attending St. John's College of Toledo; Margaret M., whose birth occurred in this city in 1913 and who is now a student in the schools of Monroe; Mary Jane, who was born in Toledo in 1916 and is also a pupil in the public schools of Monroe; and John George, born in Toledo in 1919.

Mr. Navarre is a member of the Roman Catholic church and he is a Knight of Columbus, in which organization he has taken the fourth degree. He is likewise identified with the Toledo Club, the Monroe Country Club and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, while his political allegiance is given to the democratic party. His business career has been one of continuous advancement and he brings to his various duties in life a keen mind and a broad intelligence, which are the basis of his success. He is a worthy scion of his race and is recognized as a capable business man, a public-spirited citizen and a loyal friend. Since 1920 he has resided in Monroe, but maintains his business in Toledo.

MICHAEL JOSEPH OWENS

Toledo is proud to include among its citizenship a most famous man in connection with the glass industry of modern times—Michael Joseph Owens. His advanced ideas on matters pertaining to the invention and manufacturing of glass-working machinery have given him world-wide prominence among people interested in that branch of the industry. Mr. Owens is not only an inventive genius but he combines with that gift an exceptionally high executive ability, marked tenacity of purpose, boundless energy and remarkable capacity for hard work; and the notable success he has achieved is but the natural result of such a combination of qualities. It is to such men as Mr. Owens that the public is indebted for the advancement in his field of manufacture. Each invention is a theory in its embryonic state, but the theories of today are the common practice of tomorrow and thus the world advances in every line of endeavor.

Michael Joseph Owens was born January 1, 1859, in Mason county, Virginia, now West Virginia, a son of John and Mary (Chapman) Owens. His parents, who were natives of Ireland, migrated from County Wexford to America in the early '40s and Michael J. Owens was a lad of ten years when the parents removed to Wheeling, West Virginia. Being one of a large family and his father a laboring man, it was necessary that he seek employment as soon as possible. He began work in the glass factory of the Hobbs-Brockunier Company, assisting in the firing of one of the small furnaces, this boy of ten years performing the hard labor expected of one several years his senior. In the course of time he acquainted



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himself with all of the tasks performed by boys in the factory and at the age of fifteen years had become a glass blower, working by the side of men two or three times his age. He continued to serve as a glass blower in Wheeling and vicinity until August, 1888, when he came to Toledo and entered the employ of Edward D. Libbey as a glass blower in the newly established factory of The Libbey Glass Company. That diligence and capability are the rungs of the ladder on which one climbs to success was soon manifest in the record of Mr. Owens, who three months later was advanced to superintendent of the plant, and subsequently when a branch factory was established at Findlay, Ohio, Mr. Owens was made its manager, continuing in the position for two years. During the Columbian Exposition at Chicago in 1893 he had charge of the famous exhibit of the Libbey Glass Company, housed in a beautiful building erected for the purpose, at a cost of more than one hundred thousand dollars, and in which the art of making and cutting glass was carried on in all of its branches.

Always glass containers had been blown by human lung power. For generations highly skilled men had endeavored to devise a practicable machine for mechanically blowing glass. A multitude of wrecks was the only result. Nevertheless, in the early '90s the idea invaded Mr. Owens' brain and would not down. He came to believe the problem could be solved. His early experiments encouraged and convinced him. Mr. Libbey also was convinced and aided him. In 1895, having been granted certain letters patent and having pending applications for others, they organized The Toledo Glass Company for the purpose of acquiring, developing and operating the inventions.

Tumbler machines and lamp-chimney machines were successfully developed and commercially operated, and, their practical successes and great economies having been fully established, exclusive rights thereto were granted, for the former to Rochester Tumbler Company of Rochester, Pennsylvania, and for the latter to Macbeth-Evans Glass Company of Pittsburgh.

The conspicuous successes of the tumbler and lamp-chimney machines brought to Mr. Owens no thought of rest or retirement. On the contrary they spurred him to a much more difficult accomplishment, a completely automatic bottle-machine, in which his initial success was most gratifying. In 1903 he and his associates organized The Owens Bottle-Machine Company, a corporation of New Jersey, having an authorized capital of three million dollars, for the purpose of manufacturing, operating and licensing such machines. That company was conspicuously successful from its very beginning. In 1907 it was reorganized under Ohio laws, and later the authorized capital was increased to fifty million dollars. It has factories at Toledo and Newark, Ohio; Fairmont, Clarksburg and Charleston, West Virginia; Glassboro, New Jersey; Streator, Illinois; and Greenfield, Evansville and Loogootee, Indiana; and has large holdings of the capital stock of companies having factories at Cincinnati, Ohio; Huntington, West Virginia; and Okmulgee and Checotah, Oklahoma. Having become the largest manufacturer of bottles in the world, its name was changed to The Owens Bottle Company.

Successful as was his initial bottle machine, Mr. Owens made successive great improvements and now the Owens Bottle Machine is among America's most wonderful machines and one of the world's mechanical marvels. The present machine, a wonder working giant, weighs over one hundred thousand pounds and is composed of about ten thousand separate parts. A contemporary writer has described it, in part, as follows: "It feeds itself with a fiery fluid of molten glass; sucks it up methodically, clutches it with iron hands, blows its breath into it, re-

leases its grasp, nonchalantly drops a finished bottle—and moves on to take another fiery gulp. 'At the rate of one hundred and fifty bottles a minute—for it has fifteen mouths and arms and pairs of hands—it goes on. It is a monster, weighing over one hundred thousand pounds and ten feet high."

Improvements are still being made by Mr. Owens further to increase its efficiency. One of the most recent has been the plural mold principle, whereby each of the ten or fifteen heads of the late type machine will blow, not one article as heretofore, but at least two or three, and in all probability more.

In 1905 the Owens European Bottle-Machine Company was organized and acquired the European rights for the Owens Bottle Machine, a factory being erected at Manchester, England, under the supervision of Mr. Owens, for the manufacture of these bottles. Subsequently the patents for the eastern hemisphere and for South America were sold to a European syndicate. Mr. Owens also assisted the Apollinaris Company to construct and operate its plant at Rheinahr, Germany.

About the year 1911 Mr. Owens prevailed upon his associates in the glass industry to undertake the perfecting of a process of drawing window glass in flat, continuous sheets. This idea was originally conceived by the late Irving W. Colburn, who, however, was never able to develop his idea on a practical basis. After several unsuccessful attempts he was forced to suspend, and following his final failure Mr. Owens and his associates purchased the patents at a receiver's sale and began a period of expensive experimentation, which has resulted in the present machine, producing glass of suitable quality for the trade. This machine, like the bottle machine, is either in use or being introduced in nearly every country of the world. It is quite as revolutionary in the manufacture of sheet glass as the bottle machine in its branch of the glass industry. It is fitting to record in connection with the final triumph of the Colburn idea that Mr. Owens in his characteristic way caused Mr. Colburn to be generously rewarded, and the latter remained a loyal associate of Mr. Owens until his death.

For a number of years and until 1919, Mr. Owens was vice president and general manager of The Owens Bottle Company, but desiring to relinquish some of his activities he resigned as general manager, though continuing in the office of vice president. He is also vice president of The Toledo Libbey-Owens Sheet Glass Company, the United States Sheet and Window Glass Company, The Canadian Libbey-Owens Sheet Glass Company and other allied companies. His activities extend greatly beyond the inventive and engineering field. He is engaged in the factory organization and production work, and his counsel and keen, logical mind are active in every phase of the affairs of the companies with which he is connected. He has the faculty of looking far into the future and his judgment of what steps are required in his industries to meet future conditions is unusually farsighted and accurate.

In 1890 Mr. Owens was united in marriage to Miss Mary McKelvey and they are parents of two children: John Raymond Owens of Los Angeles, California; and Hazel, the wife of A. R. Beesch of Toledo. There are also two grandchildren, Persis Anne Owens and Robert Beesch. The family residence is at 2345 Collingwood avenue. Mr. Owens is a member of the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club, the Sylvania Golf Club, the Country Club at Lancaster, Ohio, and several other social organizations. He is also a member of the Knights of Columbus. Mr. Owens is a man of indomitable will, strong in his convictions, but tolerant and patient in his relations with others. When he seeks an objective it is only after he has assured

himself it is a right one, and it can be said he almost invariably reaches it, regardless of the obstacles.

By no means the least of his accomplishments is that of being a wonderfully clear, fluent, pleasing and convincing speaker. In an argument upon a matter in which he is deeply interested, he rarely fails to convert his adversaries. His is a nature that inspires absolute loyalty with the people under him, and as a student of military strategy, its effect is reflected in his organizations. Absolute discipline and full authority are extended to subordinates within their particular sphere. His contribution to the world's work is immeasurable. He has aided in pushing forward the wheels of progress and is an acknowledged leader among those whose inventions have revolutionized glass manufacturing. His mechanical genius is evidenced by the fact that a multitude of patents have been granted him, either alone or in association with others, in almost every jurisdiction of the world having patent laws.

Machinery has been made to replace much arduous man labor and in every section of the world where civilization is planted, the fruits of his inventions are known. He has, indeed, been a dynamic power in the world of invention and manufacture, yet withal is a modest, unassuming gentleman, intensely loyal to his friends, whose personal qualities alone entitle him to the high regard and popularity which he enjoys.

CHARLES S. BURGE

One of Toledo's successful business enterprises is that controlled by the S. W. Flower Company, of which Charles S. Burge is the president, and his present enviable position has been won through industry, ability and persistency of purpose. He was born in Maumee, Ohio, November 24, 1868, a son of Robert and Margaret (Shoemaker) Burge, the former a native of England and the latter of Maumee, Ohio. The father became a resident of Ohio when ten years of age and on entering business life he engaged in building and contracting in Maumee, until 1883, when he removed to Toledo. He retired from active business in 1892, and in this city he continued to make his home until his demise. The mother has also passed away. In their family were six children: Rudford L., Robert S., Mrs. Lorena Smith, Mrs. Nellie Fisher, Mrs. Honor Hoffman, and Charles S.

In the acquirement of an education Charles S. Burge attended the grammar schools of Maumee, Ohio, and the Toledo Central high school. His initial business experience was obtained with the S. W. Flower Company, with which he has been connected since March 25, 1882, and starting in a humble capacity, he advanced through each department, mastering every detail connected with the operation of the undertaking. Mr. Burge was taken in as a partner in the business in 1888, before he was of age. He relates that the proudest day of his life was that on which he was sent from his home in Maumee to Toledo to deliver a basket of eggs to Mr. Flower, who forthwith offered him a position in the establishment. He has since devoted himself to the development of the business and it was owing to his foresight and sound judgment that its founder was led to purchase the land on which the present building was erected, which has greatly increased in value until the property today is worth a fortune in itself. Upon the death of

Mr. Flower, on November 13, 1908, the business was turned over to Mr. Burge, who has since been its president, and he has greatly enlarged the scope of the enterprise, which has become one of the leading houses in its line in this section of the country. The business of wholesale seed dealers has been continued under the original style of the S. W. Flower Company. In addition to their Toledo store, where they utilize twenty employes, they are also operating a branch establishment at Indianapolis, under the name of the Indiana Seed Company. Mr. Burge has never dissipated his energies over a broad field, but has concentrated his efforts upon the seed business, of which he has gained an expert knowledge, and in the control of his interests he displays initiative, determination and marked executive force.

On the 15th of June, 1892, Mr. Burge was married to Miss Leonora Clara Barks, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Barks of Toledo. In religious faith Mr. Burge is a Presbyterian. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, and he is a member of the Toledo Traveling Men's Association, the Toledo Club, the Toledo Commerce Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, the Inverness Club and the Rotary Club and in Masonry he has taken the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite Consistory, and is a Shriner. He is also connected with the Modern Woodmen of America and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He has never feared that laborious attention to business which must precede ascendancy and has focused his energies in directions where fruition is certain. He is a self-made man who has been both the architect and builder of his success, and his more than forty years identification with Toledo's business interests have been characterized by straightforward business methods. Mr. Burge resides at No. 2447 Scottwood avenue.

GEORGE DENISON WELLES

George Denison Welles, one of the foremost representatives of the Toledo bar and a member of the well known law firm of Tracy, Chapman & Welles of this city, was here born November 21, 1881, and is a son of General George E. and Julia E. (Smith) Welles, the former a distinguished officer of the Civil war. General Welles was born in Elyria, Ohio, July 4, 1840, and pursued his education in the country schools to the age of fourteen, when he entered a drug store. In 1859 he removed to Toledo, where he secured a clerkship in the wholesale grocery house of West & Truax, with which he remained until he volunteered for service in the Civil war. There are few men who possess the soldierly qualities, the perseverance, the determination and the spirit of patriotism and loyalty which carried George E. Welles from the ranks to the position of brigadier general. He was one of the first to respond to President Lincoln's call for troops, following the firing on Fort Sumter. George E. Welles enlisted April 14, 1861, as a private in Company E, Fourteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, which was then being organized in Toledo. Before his regiment was sent to the front he was appointed first lieutenant and detailed for duty with the paymaster general of Ohio. He served in that connection during the three months for which he had enlisted and was discharged August 3, 1861, and returned to Ohio. On the 29th of October following he received from the governor a commission as first lieutenant and adjutant of the Sixty-eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, which he assisted in raising. Early in January, 1862, his regi-

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ment joined the army of General Grant, then operating on the Cumberland river in Tennessee. On the 5th of July, 1862, he was promoted over ten senior captains to the rank of major and on the 16th of May, 1863, he became lieutenant colonel. His ranking officer was soon afterward assigned to command a brigade and the lieutenant colonel became acting commander of the regiment, continuing as such until the close of the war. In January, 1865, he was commissioned colonel and on March 16th following, a few weeks before the end of the war, was brevetted brigadier general for "gallant and meritorious conduct." In few instances did so young a volunteer soldier receive such rapid and important promotion and each advancement made solely upon merit. Throughout the army of the Tennessee he was known as the "boy colonel" and Major General Leggett, his division commander, said of him: "That boy never made a mistake." A contemporary biographer, writing of his military history, said: "His service led him into some of the hottest fighting and most protracted campaigns of the war. The record beginning at Fort Donelson was continued in the advance up the Tennessee and Cumberland rivers, including the battle of Shiloh, the siege of Corinth, the operations around Vicksburg, including the battle of Champion Hill, and the siege and capture of that Mississippi stronghold, after the campaigns and battles from Chattanooga to Atlanta. From the latter city his regiment went with Sherman on his march to the sea and from Savannah north to the Carolinas and was a part of Sherman's army present at the surrender of the last great fragment of the Confederate army, the troops under Joseph E. Johnston. Some weeks later General Welles led his regiment in the Grand Review at Washington and then proceeded with his regiment to Louisville, Kentucky, where on July 10, 1865, his faithful followers were mustered out and given their discharge. In one of the great battles around Atlanta, General Welles was wounded. In this same engagement the gallant General McPherson was killed and the regiment of Colonel Welles was close by when that intrepid leader fell. In that same fight the cool judgment and prompt action of Colonel Welles succeeded in extricating his regiment, when almost surrounded by the enemy, and placing it in a position where it continued an effective fighting unit. This splendid handling of his troops brought him high compliments from his superior officers."

After receiving his discharge General Welles returned to Toledo and shortly afterward was appointed assistant postmaster of this city. He also engaged for a time in the grain and shipping trade with A. W. Colton & Company. Later he was associated with his brother, A. K. Welles, in the grain business under the firm name of Welles Brothers. In the meantime he was appointed assessor of internal revenue by President Grant and continued to act in that capacity until the office was discontinued. In 1887 he was called to Duluth, Minnesota, where he became secretary of the Duluth Board of Trade, but returned to Toledo in 1894 and for several years was local representative of the New York Life Insurance Company. He later served as deputy county clerk of Lucas county under two administrations but was compelled to retire from public life in 1903 on account of ill health and passed away April 27, 1906, in Toledo. We again quote from a former biographer, who said: "General Welles was one of the most substantial citizens of Toledo. His interests included a number of business enterprises, and every duty of a public nature he discharged with singular fidelity and straightforwardness of purpose. He was distinguished by a great modesty and courtesy of demeanor, and a gentleness of disposition which made him greatly beloved among his wide circle of friends. It is said that General Welles never showed the slightest propensity to boast of his

army record. In fact, it required considerable questioning to draw him out on that subject, and many of his later day acquaintances never realized that he was one of the most brilliant soldiers northwestern Ohio had furnished to the Union army."

General Welles took a prominent part in Masonic affairs, belonged to the Loyal Legion and was a very active and zealous member of Toledo Post, No. 107, of the Grand Army of the Republic. His work and keen interest in this organization was recognized by an act of his surviving comrades when after General Welles' death, they conferred an honorary membership in Toledo Post, No. 107, Grand Army of the Republic, on General Welles' son, George Denison Welles. General Welles was married May 24, 1877, to Miss Julia E. Smith, a native of Toledo and a daughter of Denison B. Smith and granddaughter of General John E. Hunt. She survived her distinguished husband more than five years, passing away in Toledo, November 26, 1911. She was an active and devoted member of the Trinity Episcopal church and greatly interested in all work for the general good. General and Mrs. Welles are survived by two sons: William B., a member of the real estate and insurance firm of the Welles-Bowen Company of Toledo, who is more fully mentioned elsewhere in this work; and George Denison, whose name introduces this review.

George D. Welles is indebted to the public school system of Toledo for the early educational opportunities which he enjoyed. He afterward attended the summer sessions of the law department of the University of Michigan and likewise studied in the law office of the firm of King & Tracy at Toledo. In 1921 he received the honorary degree of LL. B. from the University of Michigan. He was admitted to the bar in 1903 and later was admitted to practice in all the United States courts. He continued in active association with the firm of King & Tracy until 1908, when he became a partner in the firm of King, Tracy, Chapman & Welles. No change occurred in the personnel of the firm until 1914, when Mr. King withdrew, leading to the adoption of the firm style of Tracy, Chapman & Welles, and in this connection Mr. Welles still practices. He has always prepared his cases with great thoroughness and care and his developing powers have brought him to a prominent position in the front ranks of the lawyers of this city, enjoying an exceptionally high-class clientele which he has represented in some of the most important litigation that has come before the courts of northern Ohio. Holding to the highest ideals and standards of his profession, he commands and receives the respect of his fellow members at the bar.

On the 11th of September, 1907, Mr. Welles was married to Miss Mae E. Hunker of Toledo and they have a son and a daughter: George Denison, Jr., born in Toledo, December 26, 1908; and Virginia. In his professional connection Mr. Welles is a member of the Lucas County and the Ohio State Bar associations, the American Society of International Law and the Lawyers Club of Toledo, of which he is president for the year 1923. His other club connections are extensive and important and include membership in the Toledo Club, the Country Club, the Sylvania Golf Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, the Optimist Club of Toledo, of which he was president from May, 1922, to May, 1923, the Bankers Club of New York and the Congressional Country Club of Washington, D. C., of which he is a life member. He is also prominently identified with the Chamber of Commerce, being a trustee of that organization for the years 1922 and 1923. Notwithstanding the fact that Mr. Welles' professional work is extensive, important and extremely exacting, his cooperation has always been available in any movement or project

involving civic betterment or the general good, which is indicative of his manifest and tangible interest in all questions and issues vital to the welfare and progress of the community. During the World war he was one of the Four-Minute speakers, was also a Liberty Loan precinct chairman and volunteered for service in the United States Field Artillery, being under orders to report at the Officers Training Camp at Camp Taylor at the time the armistice was signed. Mr. Welles' residence is at No. 2237 Collingwood avenue.

JOHN HENRY O'LEARY

John Henry O'Leary, who occupied a position of distinction at the Toledo bar, passed away on the 5th of October, 1920, and the city thus lost one of its valued and representative residents. He was born at Stony Ridge, Ohio, October 20, 1877, a son of Dennis and Elizabeth (Luddington) O'Leary, whose family numbered four children.

Reared in Wood county, Ohio, John H. O'Leary attended the public schools there and later entered the Ohio Northern Preparatory School, from which he was graduated with the class of 1901. A review of the broad field of business, with its limitless opportunities along agricultural, industrial, commercial and professional lines, led him to the determination to enter upon the practice of law as a life work and with this end in view he became a student in the University of Michigan, which he attended from 1902 until 1905, receiving there his professional degree upon the completion of a course in law. He was a member of the leading campus society, the Micha Gamma, during his college days and was popular with his fellow students, who esteemed him highly by reason of his capability, his honor and his genial comradeship.

Following his graduation Mr. O'Leary came to Toledo and here entered into association with the law firm of Tabor & Clapp, which subsequently became Tabor & O'Leary. Some time afterward the junior partner assumed the entire practice of the firm and he long occupied an eminent position at the Toledo bar. Though he continued in the general practice of law, he devoted much of his time to corporation work, being legal counsel for many of the leading business houses and firms of this city. His knowledge of the principles of jurisprudence was comprehensive and exact and he prepared his cases with great thoroughness and care. He maintained his offices at No. 1112 Nicholas building and there received his many clients, whose interests he carefully safeguarded in the courts, always presenting his cause with clearness and force, so that he seldom failed to win the verdict desired.

In 1908 Mr. O'Leary was united in marriage to Miss Anna Metzger, a daughter of Louis A. and Julia (Chapuis) Metzger. They became the parents of four children: John Henry, Jr., who died in 1910; Jane; Ruth; and David Arthur.

Mr. O'Leary was well known in club and social circles. He held membership in the Toledo Club, also in the Toledo Yacht Club, in the Chamber of Commerce, in the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and in the Knights of Columbus and was also identified with a number of legal societies. Mrs. O'Leary is very active in club circles also, belonging to the Woman's Club, the Educators Club and the Cathedral Parish Club. Step by step, throughout his life, Mr. O'Leary advanced and his capability won for him a commanding position at the bar, while the sterling

traits of his character gained for him the high respect and enduring regard of all with whom he came into contact. Mr. O'Leary's residence was at No. 2829 Collingwood avenue.

JAMES W. McMAHON

Various corporations have benefited by the cooperation and business judgment of James W. McMahon, but with no enterprise is he more closely associated than with the Northwestern Ohio Natural Gas Company, nor have any of his interests contributed in larger measure to the progress, development and welfare of the city of Toledo than this. The life story of Mr. McMahon is an interesting one, as it is the record of steady progress consistently and intelligently directed, representing a fit utilization of those opportunities which others have passed heedlessly by. Mr. McMahon was born November 13, 1856, at Ellicottville, Cattaraugus county, New York, and there at the usual age he began his education as a public school pupil, while later he enjoyed the advantage of study in Niagara University, where he was graduated with the class of 1876. He then entered business circles in his native city and for a quarter of a century remained a factor in the business development of the Empire state, becoming well known as a merchant and lumber dealer.

On the 1st of July, 1902, Mr. McMahon arrived in Toledo to become the general manager of the Northwestern Ohio Natural Gas Company, which supplies natural gas, throughout a distance of three hundred and fifty miles from West Virginia fields, to more than fifty thousand customers and it is said that about one hundred and seventy-five thousand people in this city and vicinity secure heat and fuel from this company. The same corporation supplies Bowling Green, Maumee, Perrysburg and other places accessible to its pipe lines from the West Virginia fields. The business in Toledo has been most wisely directed by Mr. McMahon as general manager, working in full cooperation with the officers of the company, who are George W. Crawford, president, John M. Garard, vice president and Ralph J. Burkhalter, assistant secretary and treasurer. The business of supplying Toledo with natural gas has been continued here since 1887, at which time the supply was piped from Wood county, Ohio, but since 1902 this has been secured from West Virginia fields. The plant is an extensive one, including three pumping stations and a vast sum is represented in other equipment of the company. Mr. McMahon has had long experience in this business and his direction of affairs has been highly satisfactory to the corporation which he represents and to the purchasing public. Toledo has greatly benefited by the introduction of natural gas as a fuel, for thereby fuel prices have been reduced and, moreover, it has contributed toward making Toledo a notably clean and, therefore, beautiful city. Mr. McMahon has also figured in other connections, being now one of the directors of the Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company.

Mr. McMahon has always been a close student of political history and of current events which have to do with world politics. He votes with the democratic party and was a delegate to the convention in Baltimore, where Woodrow Wilson was nominated and in the campaign of that year was one of the presidential electors from Ohio. Long before he had been a delegate to the national convention of his party, when in 1884 Grover Cleveland was nominated for the presidency, and again he was a delegate when Cleveland was nominated in 1892. During his residence in

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New York he served as dairy commissioner, was also a member of the state committee of his party for several years and for a considerable period represented his district in the general local assembly. On the 1st of January, 1910, he was made a member of the civil service board of Toledo and continued to act in that capacity until 1913. His interest in public affairs has been always of a valuable character, being prompted by a public-spirited devotion to the general good. He belongs to the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association and to the Knights of Columbus and he also has membership in the Toledo lodge of Elks. In club circles, too, he is well known, his membership being in the Toledo Commerce Club, the Toledo Automobile Club, the Toledo Club and the Toledo Yacht Club—associations which indicate much of the nature of his interests and activities outside the strict path of business.

JAY WALL WILLIAMS

Jay Wall Williams, vice president of the W. F. Broer Company, wholesale and retail jewelers of Toledo, has throughout the greater part of his life been connected with the jewelry trade, entering upon that line of business after leaving school. Steadily he has advanced as his powers have been developed and expanded and today he is a prominent figure in connection with the wholesale jewelry trade of the city. Mr. Williams was born June 8, 1884, in Circleville, Pickaway county, Ohio, and is a son of Samuel and Ella (Christy) Williams, the former a farmer by occupation. Jay Wall Williams' early education was acquired in the schools of his native city and during his third year in the high school he decided to put away his textbooks and learn the watchmaking trade. For this purpose he entered the jewelry store of L. W. Lewis and gradually working his way upward, became manager of the business, continuing to serve in that capacity until the death of the proprietor, when the store was sold.

Mr. Williams then removed to Toledo and accepted a position as traveling salesman with Robert Nelson & Company, jewelers, who at that time were doing business in the Chamber of Commerce building. He remained with the latter company until the business was discontinued, after which he traveled for a year in Pennsylvania and New York as representative of the Hull Umbrella Company. This has been the only period throughout his business career in which he has not been identified with the jewelry trade. In 1909 he accepted a position as traveling salesman with the Merrill & Broer Company, owners of a wholesale and retail jewelry house in Toledo, which he represented on the road for eleven years, or until the business was reorganized in 1920, under the name of W. F. Broer Company, at which time Mr. Williams became the vice president and has so continued. Through the intervening period he has given his attention to administrative direction and executive control and his comprehensive knowledge of the jewelry trade and of business conditions affecting the trade has been one of the potent elements in the continued and growing success of the house.

In 1915 Mr. Williams was united in marriage to Miss Minnie Marie Rowe, a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George Taylor Rowe of Circleville, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Williams have one child, Marjorie Anne.

Fraternally Mr. Williams is connected with the Masons, having become a member of Sanford L. Collins Lodge, No. 396, F. & A. M., in January, 1912; of Fort Meigs Chapter No. 29, R. A. M., and of the council, R. & S. M., in

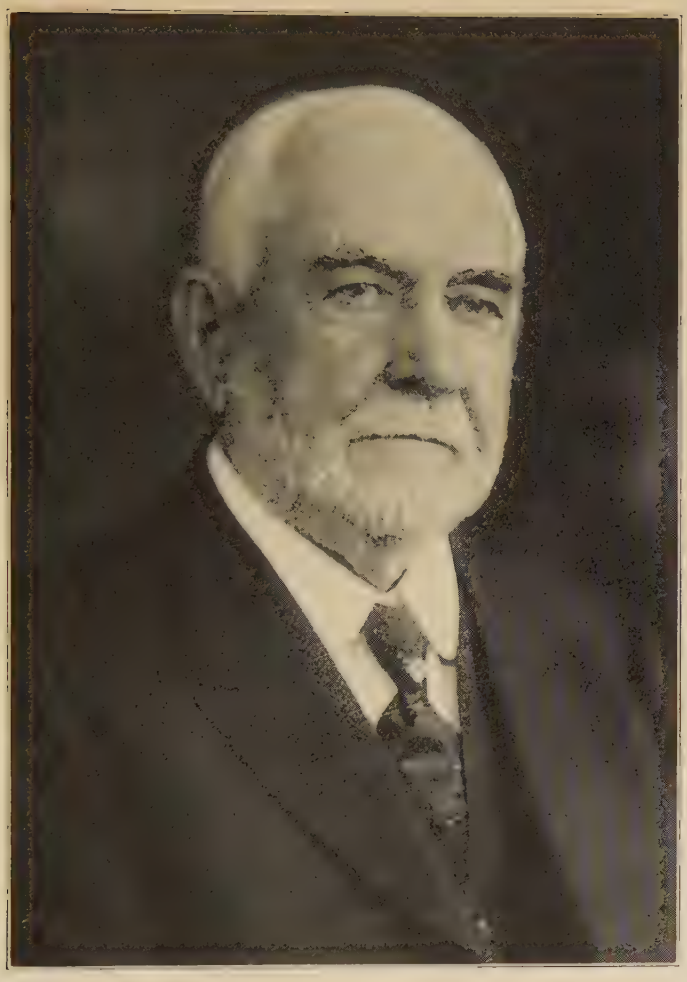
March, 1912; St. Omar Commandery, No. 59, K. T., in April of the same year; and Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine in the following November. On the 23d of January, 1920, he attained the thirty-second degree of Scottish Rite Masonry in Toledo Consistory. He has been a member of the United Commercial Travelers since December, 1908, and he is identified with the Toledo Elks Lodge, No. 53. He also belongs to the Toledo Yacht Club, which indicates much concerning the nature of his recreation, and his devotion to public welfare is attested by his fellow members of the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Williams certainly deserves much credit for what he has accomplished. Starting out in the business world without capital, learning the watchmaker's trade and preparing himself for further duties and responsibilities, he has advanced through an orderly progression until he now occupies a central place on the stage of mercantile activity in his adopted city.

CAPTAIN JOHN CRAIG

Captain John Craig has lived to see various business enterprises with which he has been identified carried forward to successful completion, has lived to celebrate his sixty-first wedding anniversary and has lived to witness a notable development in Toledo and take active part in bringing about the present-day progress and prosperity. He has passed the eighty-third milestone on life's journey and through a third of a century has made Toledo his home. He is a native of New York city and it is said that he entered this world on the stroke of twelve that terminated Christmas eve and ushered in Christmas day of 1838. His parents, George and Catherine L. (Campbell) Craig, were both natives of Scotland and many of the sterling traits of his Scotch ancestry seemed to have been inherited by Captain Craig. His father was born in 1809 and was about eighteen years of age when he crossed the Atlantic to the new world. He was married in New York city to Catherine L. Campbell and they spent their after life in the Empire state, where the father died at the age of eighty-seven years, while the mother was about fifty at the time of her demise. George Craig devoted his attention to the ship sawyer business in early life but afterward became identified with the lumber and coal trade in New York. He exercised considerable influence in politics among his fellow countrymen but never sought nor desired political preferment as a reward for party fealty. To him and his wife were born three children, the two daughters being Mrs. James Gorley and Mrs. A. R. Linn, both of whom became residents of Detroit.

The only son and the eldest of the family was John Craig, who supplemented his public school education in New York city by study in the College of the City of New York. He early served an apprenticeship to the work of ship construction and during the Civil war period he was engaged in fitting out schooners and steamers, which were remodeled from merchant vessels into gunboats, thus having charge of the construction of twenty-three different gunboats. One of these was the Winona, which was built and delivered to the government within sixty-three days after the contract was signed. Captain Craig also fitted out a number of mortar boats for the Porter expedition at Beaufort, North Carolina, and continued his relations with the government in this line of work until early in 1864.

It was in 1866 that Captain Craig became a member of the firm of Linn & Craig, shipbuilders, at Gibraltar, Michigan. They were pioneers in that field of



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labor and constructed a number of the large merchant vessels which plied the lakes for many years. In 1882 they removed their business to Trenton, Michigan, where it was continued under the firm name of John Craig and later of John Craig & Son. It was with difficulty that the firm could employ adequate labor, however, at Trenton and this led to the removal of the business to Toledo in 1889, at which time the Craig Shipbuilding Company was organized with Captain Craig as president, continuing at the head of the company until 1906, when they sold to the Toledo Shipbuilding Company. In the following year another Craig Shipbuilding Company was incorporated under the laws of Maine and its plant and business headquarters were established at Long Beach, California. In the new undertaking Captain Craig was again the president, while his son, John F. Craig, became vice president and general manager. The business was successfully conducted until the fall of 1913 and was then sold to the California Steamship Building Company, also a Maine corporation, but in the interim the Craig Company had built about ten ocean-going boats on the Pacific coast. Throughout his active career Captain Craig was constantly expanding his business interests and connections, becoming president of the Toledo Steamship Company, also of the Adams Transportation Company and of the Monroe Transportation Company, which operates a fleet of freight boats on the Great Lakes. He was elected one of the directors of the First National Bank of Toledo and is now dean of all bank officials in that institution. He also became the vice president of the Toledo Metal Wheel Company, while in various other important corporations he acquired stock. That he was most prominently associated with the navigation interests of the middle west is indicated in the fact that before the Craig Shipbuilding Company sold to the Toledo Shipbuilding Company it had constructed one hundred and seven vessels, a good portion of them being the largest on the Great Lakes. In April, 1916, Federal Judge John M. Killits appointed Captain Craig receiver of the Toledo Railways & Light Company, a position for which he was splendidly qualified by reason of his highly developed business powers, administrative ability and executive force. Opportunity has ever been to him a call to action and one to which he has made ready response. During the World war Captain Craig was a "dollar-a-year man," serving as assistant to the director of the wooden ship department.

On the 4th of November, 1861, Captain Craig was united in marriage to Miss Annie Eliza Losee of New York city, and a half century later they celebrated their golden wedding, amid enjoyment and good wishes of children, grandchildren and many friends. Their family numbered six children, two of whom died in infancy, the others being: George L. and John F., both of Long Beach, California; Catherine, the wife of D. O. Douglass of Toledo; and Mamie R., the wife of Alfred J. Merrill of Adrian, Michigan. The eldest son, George L., born in New York city, May 11, 1864, acquired a public school education and served an apprenticeship as a wood and ship carpenter with his father at Gibraltar, Michigan, and also with the eminent naval architect and shipbuilder, Frank Kirby, at Detroit, spending three years in Mr. Kirby's office as draftsman. He then became one of the organizers of the firm of John Craig & Son at Trenton, Michigan, in 1882, and came to Toledo with the removal of the business to this city in 1889, acting as general manager and consulting engineer of the Craig Shipbuilding Company until the business was sold in 1906. He has since been interested in a number of large corporations and he is well known as a member of the Toledo Yacht Club, the Engineers Club of New York and the Society of Naval Architects and Engineers, while in both Toledo and Long Beach, California, he has many friends. The younger son, John F.,

was born in Gibraltar, Michigan, May 18, 1868, and attended the State Normal School at Ypsilanti, Michigan. He then started out in the business world with the firm of John Craig & Son at Trenton, being thus employed from 1887 until 1889 and on coming to Toledo he was made secretary of the Craig Shipbuilding Company, while in 1900 he was elected both secretary and treasurer. In 1906 he became the vice president and treasurer, so continuing until the business was sold. He has become a director in various corporations with which his father is identified and like his brother he makes his home in California. Fraternally he is a consistory Mason.

While controlling and directing mammoth business affairs Captain Craig has always found time for cooperation in those projects and interests which look to the civic upbuilding and development of the city and the advancement of moral progress. He has long been a valued member of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, in which for many years he served as a trustee. He also became a member of the board of trustees of the Flower Hospital of Toledo and his position on the temperance question is evidenced in the fact that he was formerly president of the united dry campaign of Lucas county. Since attaining his majority he has voted with the republican party and has been untiring in his efforts to secure the adoption of its principles, yet has never been a politician in the usually accepted sense of office seeking. Prominent clubs of Toledo have claimed him as a valued and representative member, including the Toledo Club, the Toledo Commerce Club, and the Toledo Yacht Club and he also has membership with the Society of Naval Architects and Engineers of New York. Yachting has always been one of his delightful sources of recreation and he was long recognized as one of the most skillful commodores of sailing yachts on the Great Lakes. A contemporary writer has said of him: "He has sailed over practically the entire stretch of these inland waters, and has associated with and has been on terms of intimacy with all the great master shipbuilders and shipowners in the middle west. Due to his high position in the shipbuilding world and his long experience as a business man Captain Craig's wisdom and counsel have always been highly appreciated in Toledo. Though advancing in years he has always kept abreast of the trend of the times in modern thought and progress and has been a close student of questions and issues vital to the city in its upbuilding and development. In March, 1916, in an address delivered before the Toledo Real Estate Board, he called attention to the enormous destruction of property in the great World war and that the United States supplies only about forty per cent of the world's consumption of metals, asking the pertinent question where Toledo would appear on the world's industrial map and counseling the business men of the city to lay plans for more furnaces and rolling mills in order that Toledo might be known as the center of the metal industry." When he was appointed receiver of the Toledo Railways & Light Company one of his biographers commented upon this, speaking of the responsibility of a position that involved not only the safeguarding of an immense investment but also the rehabilitation of one of the largest public utilities of Ohio. Captain Craig was at one time a candidate for the republican nomination for mayor and upon the realization of factional differences in the party he threw the weight of his influence to Samuel M. Jones, resulting in the first nomination and election of "Golden Rule Jones" as chief executive of Toledo. Captain Craig was a delegate to the republican national convention which nominated Taft and at all times his influence has been a potent force for progress and improvement in municipal affairs and righteousness in public rule. Of Captain Craig it might well be said, "Though the snows of winter are on his head the flowers of spring are in his heart." In his activities and in his interests he seems a

much younger man but time chronicles him as an octogenarian. His career has been one of vast usefulness and worth in the upbuilding of the city in a material way, in the advancement of its standards and in the upholding of those legal and moral forces which make for public betterment and the uplift of the individual. Since 1889 Captain Craig's residence has been at the northwest corner of Madison avenue and Twenty-first street, Toledo.

HOWARD R. HUNTINGTON

Howard R. Huntington, president of the Sandusky Cooperage & Lumber Company, with headquarters in Toledo, is ably carrying forward the interests established by his father, displaying the same enterprising spirit and marked executive ability which ever characterized the latter and enabled him to develop a business of large proportions. He was born in Sandusky, Ohio, August 15, 1875, and his parents were Henry C. and Josephine (Warner) Huntington, the former a native of New York state and the latter of Ohio. In early life the father came to the Buckeye state, settling in Sandusky, where he continued to reside until his demise, which occurred in 1905, when he was sixty-five years of age. He was a very capable business man and became the organizer of the Sandusky Cooperage & Lumber Company, which he continued to manage successfully for many years, building up a large undertaking. The mother passed away in New York city in 1917, at the age of sixty-four.

The second in a family of six children, Howard R. Huntington attended the grammar and high schools of his native city and when seventeen years of age he became a student at Oberlin College at Oberlin, Ohio, afterward entering Harvard University, from which he was graduated in 1898. He then went to Alaska on a prospecting trip and after leaving that country he spent four years in Idaho, being engaged in the work of supervising the erection of sugar beet factories for a Cleveland construction firm. At the end of that time he returned to Sandusky and following his father's death Mr. Huntington became connected with the business founded by the latter, purchasing all of the stock in the Sandusky Cooperage & Lumber Company in 1907. This he conducted as an independent concern until 1918, when it was incorporated, and he has since been president of the company. On the 1st of August, 1919, they established their headquarters in Toledo and their offices are now located in the Nasby building. Mr. Huntington gives his close personal attention to every detail of the business and has succeeded in keeping it not only in line but rather in the lead of the progressive enterprises of this character in the city, being watchful of every indication pointing to success.

At Heise, Idaho, on the 29th of December, 1904, Mr. Huntington was married to Miss Katherine Heise, a daughter of Richard C. Heise, in whose honor the town was named. Three children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Huntington: Helen, whose birth occurred in Sandusky in 1907 and who is now attending high school in Toledo; Kathryn, who was born in Galion, Ohio, in 1910, and is a student in the public schools of this city; and Howard, who was born in Galion in 1912 and is also a public school pupil.

Mr. Huntington is a member of the Congregational church and his political support is given to the republican party. He is a valued member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and he is also connected with the Toledo Club and the

Inverness Club. He is a Knights Templar Mason, being identified with the commandery at Mansfield, Ohio. In the conduct of his interests he is alert, energetic and progressive and in his business career he has ever held closely to the rules which govern strict integrity and unabating industry. His record measures up to the full standard of honorable manhood and he has always found time to participate in those movements which have for their object the upbuilding and advancement of his city.

JOHN M. BOUR

John M. Bour, who in his public and private relations alike lived a life above reproach, was the founder and president of the large tea and coffee house conducted for many years under the name of the J. M. Bour Company and later he became the organizer of The Star Hardware & Supply Company. His high standing in business circles is shown in the fact that he was chosen the second president of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. There is no biographical record of a Toledo citizen that indicates more clearly what can be accomplished through individual effort, initiative and intelligent industry than that of Mr. Bour, and it seems that he should have been spared for years to come, as he had only passed the fifty-eighth milestone on life's journey when called to his final rest.

John M. Bour was born in Detroit, Michigan, November 18, 1863, and was the son of one of the prosperous merchants of that city. He acquired a public school education and when still a youth in his teens became a factor in the business world by providing for his own support. He was but twenty years of age when he came to Toledo and throughout his remaining days continued a resident of this city. Here he engaged in the wholesale tea and coffee trade, opening a small store on Monroe street. The excellent line which he carried and his progressive and reliable business methods soon led to a steady and substantial growth in his trade, necessitating a removal to larger quarters, which were obtained in Summit street. This later was given up for a third factory in Ontario street and year by year the business continued to grow and expand until in 1904 it had reached such volume that the company purchased ground at Smith street and Spielbusch avenue and there erected a large five-story concrete fireproof structure, which was the first of the kind in Toledo. The business was incorporated under the name of the J. M. Bour Company and branch sales offices were established in many of the larger cities of the United States. In time the company came to own three large warehouses besides the main factory. Mr. Bour was a pioneer in the wholesale handling of teas and coffees in Toledo and enjoyed a very wide reputation in this connection. He was regarded as an expert concerning the value of teas and coffees and his house also became sole importers of the Royal Garden Japan teas. A contemporary writer said of him: "Singleness of purpose, combined with intelligence and ability to seize opportunities, was a marked characteristic of J. M. Bour. The success of his life was due to no inherited fortune, nor to any happy succession of advantageous circumstances, but to his own sturdy will, steady application, studious habits, tireless industry and sterling integrity." He remained as president and general manager of the J. M. Bour Company until he sold his interest in the business in 1910 and a little later he organized The Star Hardware & Supply Company, developing, as before, one of the largest enter-

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prises of that character in the city, in which he continued in successful business until about a year prior to his death. He afterward devoted his attention to the Lakeside Biscuit Company, of which he was vice president, and to the management of private interests. He was a director of the Keasy Pulley Company, the Ohio Savings Bank and also of the Yost Electric Company.

On the 2d of June, 1885, Mr. Bour was married to Miss Carolyn A. Kendrick, a daughter of Frederick and Henrietta Kendrick, the former proprietor of the original mineral baths at Mount Clemens, Michigan. They became the parents of six children: Mrs. Hattie Brymer of Toledo; Mrs. Fred Wolf of Mansfield, Ohio; Mrs. George Willi of New York city; Mrs. William A. Bowers of Mansfield; Kendrick, living at Utica, New York; and John M., Jr., of Toledo.

Mr. Bour was a member of the Toledo Club and the Toledo Yacht Club and took a deep interest in the Toledo Museum of Art. From an early period in the existence of the Chamber of Commerce Mr. Bour was closely identified therewith and served as its second president, largely aiding in formulating its policy and directing its early development. It is said that he gave largely to charity in private and that there are many recipients of his bounty who bless his memory for his unostentatious kindness. He always attempted to keep his benefactions unknown to the world and at all times his good deeds, which were many, were free from any attempted display. Life was to him purposeful and earnest and he made it his rule to meet fully every duty and obligation that devolved upon him and to use every opportunity to the best advantage. The principles which governed his conduct and the ideals which he held before him were most high and honorable and his friendship was prized by all with whom he came into contact. His death, which occurred May 20, 1922, was keenly felt by the entire community.

GROVE H. SECOR

Grove H. Secor, who since 1908 has been engaged in the house moving business in Toledo, conducting his interests under the name of The W. J. Musson Company, was born in New Boston, Michigan, on the 4th of September, 1878, his parents being Horace J. and Viana (Grove) Secor. The father was also a house mover and thus it was that Grove H. Secor early became familiar with the business. In his youthful days his time was largely devoted to the mastery of the branches of learning taught in the public schools of Detroit, where he passed through consecutive grades to his graduation from the high school. In vacation periods and after his textbooks were put aside he became his father's assistant in the work of house moving at Detroit, to which city the family had removed when he was but two years of age. There he remained until 1908, when, believing that there was a good business opportunity in Toledo, he came to this city and here established business on his own account. His patronage steadily grew and developed as the years passed and in January, 1920, he purchased the business of William Musson, which he consolidated with his own and is now conducting under the name of The W. J. Musson Company.

On the 6th of August, 1900, in Toledo, Mr. Secor was married to Miss Irene De Shetler and they have become parents of three children: Esther May, Ganall Clara and Una Louise. Mr. Secor belongs to various fraternal organizations, having membership with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Independent

Order of Odd Fellows, the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Modern Woodmen of America. He is also interested in the East Side Commerce Club, which indicates his activity in behalf of those forces which make for the improvement and development of the city and the advancement of its business conditions.

GORDON MACDONALD MATHER

Gordon Macdonald Mather, president and founder of the Mather Spring Company, is one of Toledo's foremost manufacturers and successful business men, whose activities have been a most important factor in the city's industrial, financial and business growth.

George Macdonald Mather is a southerner by birth and his life story is an interesting one. He was born in Louisiana, September 24, 1868, a son of Joseph and Mary (Lyons) Mather. His father, now deceased, was a sugar planter of St. James parish, that state, where the family has been identified with the state's history for over two hundred years.

Gordon Macdonald Mather was accorded excellent educational advantages in private schools and was about seventeen years old when he started out in life for himself. His first work was that of a shipping clerk. In the year 1886 he came to the north with Cleveland, Ohio, as his destination. There he first became connected with the business of spring and axle manufacturing and in 1891 removed to Canton, Ohio, where he established a spring and axle factory, developing a business of substantial proportions. He became one of the prominent and influential residents of Canton and was particularly active in the Chamber of Commerce, of which he served as president for several years and largely through his influence and efforts various manufacturing interests and industrial concerns were influenced to establish business in Canton. Throughout his life he has manifested a most marked public spirit and his ideals of service have taken tangible form in active and resultant work for the general good.

In 1911 Mr. Mather located in Toledo, where he organized the Mather Spring Company, of which he has since been president. Something of the growth of the business is indicated in the fact that in the first year of its existence the employes numbered one hundred, while today there are between seven hundred and eight hundred workmen in the plant, which has become the largest spring manufacturing establishment in the world, the product being principally auto springs. In harmony with his civic spirit and his humanitarian principles Mr. Mather has taken the deepest interest in the Morris Plan Bank, furthering every activity that would promote thrift among wage earners. He served for a time as president of the bank and at all times his sound judgment and business experience are available in connection with the careful direction and management of the institution. He is likewise a director and member of the executive board of the Willys-Overland Company, is a director of the First National Bank and a director of the Northern Refrigerating Company. Thus his activities have covered a broad field and his labors have at all times been of a character that has contributed to public progress and prosperity as well as to individual success.

On the 23d of February, 1911, Mr. Mather was married to Miss Charlotte Bope of Canton, Ohio, and they have an interesting family of six children: Mary Lyons, Gordon M., Jr., Henry Timken, Charlotte, Rathbun Fuller and George.

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Mr. Mather is well known as a member of the Toledo, Toledo Country and Toledo Yacht Clubs and his sterling qualities make for popularity in these organizations. He is a self-made man in the truest and best sense of the term and his life should prove of inspirational value to others, showing what may be accomplished in individual efforts intelligently directed. His opportunities have not been more than have come to thousands of others and that he has reached a position of leadership is due to his industry, initiative, power of organization and great executive ability. Mr. Mather's residence is at No. 2143 Collingwood avenue.

EMERY RANKIN HIETT

It is a splendid thing when man places a correct valuation on life and its opportunities, when he subordinates the material to those higher interests which make for progress not only in this life but in the life to come. This Emery R. Hiett did in a marked degree, and, while he possessed that commendable ambition which prompted him to provide liberally for his family that they might be shut out from the hardships of life, he never neglected the higher, holier duties. Even in business he carried out his ideal of service as the founder of the Peoples Savings Association, of which he was the secretary and general manager.

Mr. Hiett was born at Sugar Grove, Indiana, November 14, 1852, his parents being John and Mary Frances (Rankin) Hiett. The father was a pioneer in Indiana, having settled there on a farm more than ninety years ago. At the usual age Emery R. Hiett entered the public schools near his father's home and later attended De Pauw University at Greencastle, Indiana, where he applied himself thoroughly to his studies and won his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees, after which he took up the study of law and was admitted to practice at the Indiana bar. He then opened an office in Lafayette, Indiana, where he followed his profession for a time, but in 1880 removed to Toledo and was admitted to the Ohio bar. For a year he was also associated with the real estate office of John W. Hiett, his father-in-law, and during that year he acquired an intimate knowledge of the city and its people. He was afterward a member of the law firm of Thomas & Hiett and his solid acquirements in the law were shown when, in association with Judge Winters, he codified the building association laws of the state of Ohio, which have since been used as a model in other parts of the country.

Mr. Hiett continued in the active practice of his profession for several years, when he became impressed with the need of a savings institution that would enable the people to own their homes. He began studying conditions in other large cities of the country and as the result of his investigation and initiative he gave out a plan which he put into execution in August, 1887, in the organization of the Peoples Savings Association, with its first headquarters in his law office. The business gradually grew, however, until it was necessary to find regular banking quarters and removed to the first floor of the Nasby building. This also became too small in time and the Association erected its own building on Huron street, between Madison and Adams, which it now occupies. The business was incorporated in 1887 and Mr. Hiett was identified therewith as secretary and manager to the time of his death, the success of the business being attributable in very large measure to his capability, systematic efforts, thoroughness and progressiveness. In 1889 Mr. Hiett was elected secretary of the Ohio Building Associa-

tion League, in which position he served until 1895, when he became president and continued in that position until 1902. His opinions were long accepted as authority upon matters with which the league was concerned and he was a member of the committee that prepared the first draft of the state code for the Ohio building and savings associations.

In May, 1882, Mr. Hiett was united in marriage to Miss Ella Frances Hiett, a daughter of John W. and Mary Elizabeth Hiett. Her father was a Virginian, who came to Toledo in 1860 and was here engaged in the real estate business. Mr. and Mrs. Emery R. Hiett became the parents of three children: Ralph W., who wedded Mary Louise Mehring and lives in Cleveland; Stanley J., who married Clara I. Jones, and is an attorney of Toledo; and Lawrence D., a horticulturist of this city.

During his college days Mr. Hiett became a member of the Beta Theta Pi. He belonged to the Toledo Country Club, the Inverness Club, to the Rotary Club and to the Toledo Commerce Club and of the last named is one of the organizers. He also held membership in the Masonic fraternity and loyally followed the teachings and purposes of the craft. His political belief was that of the republican party, while his religious faith found its expression in his membership in St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church. He was long a member of the church board, was much interested in the young people of the church and their progress and did everything possible to assist them in adopting and upholding those principles which make for character development and for real worth in the world.

Mr. Hiett passed away very suddenly on the 1st of March, 1918, and at his passing the Rotary Club very aptly expressed the feelings of his associates in the following tribute: "The club today is mourning the loss of our fellow member, Emery Hiett, who died so suddenly last Friday, stricken with heart failure while on the way to Rotary. Here was a man who stood for all the Rotary ideals and lived them in his everyday life. He was always in his place at the luncheons. Not an absence mark is checked against his record for this year and only three all of last year and these when out of the city. It is, indeed, a record to be proud of. Whenever there was a call for volunteers to do some unselfish work for others, Emery Hiett was always among the first to respond. He never missed our orphan party at Keith's and at the last one I sat in front of him as he entertained several little girls from the home, whom he had with him every year and for whom he had special gifts. What a heritage to have left behind him so many who will miss his smiling presence. I don't know how many stocks and bonds he left. I am not anxious to find out how big his bank account was, for I know he has built his monument in the hearts of those who knew him and for whom he was always glad to do some kindly act. He was rich in the affection of his friends. Many there will be who will miss the sunshine of his cheery smile and his friendly greeting. In many long years of close friendship I cannot recall once that I ever met and talked with him that I didn't feel as if he had imparted to me some of the sweetness of life and if there ever lived a man who embodied in his everyday life the motto of Rotary, 'He profits most who serves best,' that man was Emery Hiett. We mourn together with his wife and family for we, too, feel as if we had lost a real friend and such a loss is hard to bear. But we are all proud that we had an Emery Hiett in Rotary and have with his family the pride and joy they must feel as they look over his many years of usefulness in Toledo and the sunshine he has shed along the way." In the funeral

services his pastor said: "Men like Emery R. Hiett are not so plentiful but that when they are taken from us there is a great vacancy in home and church, in social and business circles, in our whole city life. And one reason why Mr. Hiett is and will be missed so much is because his life was a life of service. He accepted unhesitatingly the philosophy of the Nazarene—'He that would be greatest among you let him be your minister.' He was richly endowed with intellectual gifts. From his youth he was possessed with an insatiate thirst for knowledge. He sought a college education and in college he was no ordinary student and thereafter he never ceased to be a student. The improvement of the mind, the acquisition of knowledge, was a passion with him all his life. He read the best books. He thought deeply upon what he read. He saw things in the large and saw them clearly, but he was no intellectual miser. He loved to share his wealth of information and his thoughts with others. This made him not only a delightful but also a most profitable and inspiring companion. He knew how to relate his knowledge to practical affairs. My first conversation with him was on a business matter, but I soon found him quoting Emerson's essay on Compensation and when I noted it he told me that he made it a point to read that essay at least once a year. Mr. Hiett was a very exact man. There were times when some men thought him exacting, but he was never as exacting of others as he was of himself. He had a passion for seeing things done right. He had little patience with a selfish man. He had the ability to see the viewpoint of the other man and a business transaction with him meant an exchange of benefits. His loyalty to the principle of service carried him out into the life of the community, where in many ways he made notable contributions. He was proud of his association with a business that he believed had made no mean contribution to the thrift of the community and that had helped large numbers to become the owners of their own homes. Many a man received from him encouragement and counsel and came to know that Mr. Hiett had a warmth and brotherliness of heart that did not always show upon the surface. In many ways he showed his interest in the boys and the young men of the community. He was the companion of his own three sons and has left to them an unusually rich heritage of fatherly sympathy and counsel, but he formed a place in his own heart for other boys and young men. Busy man that he was and carrying heavy responsibilities, I noted his presence on two successive Friday evenings in February at 'Father and Sons' gatherings, where he was taking the place of father to other boys. He held in fine balance his duties to the home and to the community. The fellowship of his wife and boys was his delight and yet the call of the needs of the community could be heard by him even in the home circle. He was the friend and patron of everything that ministered to the soul of his city and made for the refinement and uplift of life. In the number of social, fraternal and business relationships, of which he formed a part, he greatly delighted, all the more as I firmly believe because of the unselfishness of his spirit. He embodied in his everyday life the motto of the Rotary Club. 'He profits most who serves best,' and it was while on his way to one of these meetings that he was stricken. He prized very highly its weekly meetings. Mr. Hiett's patriotism was only another expression of his spirit of service. He loved his country not in a selfish way, simply because of the blessings and opportunities it brought him, but also because of its contributions to the welfare of mankind. Never was he in greater sympathy with our country than in her espousal of the rights of men and nations as they are involved in the present world conflict. It was his regret, expressed more than once, that his years made it impossible for

him to put his own service alongside that of his sons in helping to establish righteousness on the earth through the prowess of our country's arms. Some of us will not soon forget an address he gave a few days ago when he was bidding Godspeed to one of our physicians who was leaving home and business in response to our country's call. Mr. Hiett cheerfully bore a share of war's responsibilities and carried the burden of others upon his heart and it is more than likely that these helped to shorten his days. Any sketch that did not refer to Mr. Hiett's spirit of service in connection with the church will be inexcusably faulty. He was a Christian man. His light was never hidden under a bushel but it gave light to all who came to know him. He made a large contribution to the life of the local church, to the religious life of the community and he had a vision of the world kingdom of our Lord and Savious Jesus Christ. In 1886 he became an official member of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, succeeding to the place of his father-in-law and for over thirty years he had given himself unsparingly to the life and work of his church. Possibly no one who could have been taken out of the church would be more missed. His departure from us was sudden and from our standpoint untimely. He carried his years so gracefully and his spirit was so young that few thought him as old as he was. He seemed to have so many years of high service before him that his death seems untimely. But if we live in deeds, not years, his life was much longer than that of many men of far greater years—and, unless our faith is vain, he has only been transferred to spheres of higher and wider reaching service. Life here with him was a high calling, a sacred trust, and we are confident that the life he is now living is larger, fuller and more radiant in knowledge, love and service."

BERNARD R. BAKER

Bernard R. Baker, founder of The B. R. Baker Company and its executive head since organization, is one of Toledo's foremost merchants and prominent citizens. Mr. Baker has been identified with the city's commercial and business life for nearly forty years and his contribution to Toledo's growth and development is not only the great mercantile house bearing his name but in many other ways his enterprise, civic pride and progressiveness have been factors in the city's improvement. He was born in Organ township, Lucas county, November 13, 1860, so near the city that it can be said his entire life has been spent in Toledo. His parents, Peter and Gracia (Schaefer) Baker, came from Europe in early life and were farming people in Organ township. During the latter years of Peter Baker's life he lived retired in Toledo, enjoying in well earned rest the fruits of his former toil. He has now passed away. His widow is living and yet makes her home in this city. In their family were eight children: Jacob; Peter; Mrs. Eva Lux; Miss Margaret; Mrs. Charles Bonnot of Canton, Ohio; Mrs. Rudolph Birkenhauer; Mrs. Frank Stoiber; and Bernard R.

As a boy Bernard R. Baker was a pupil in the district schools of Organ township, Lucas county, and afterward attended the public schools of Toledo, thus acquiring the education that qualified him for the active and responsible duties of life. In the school of experience, too, he has learned many valuable lessons, profiting by his mistakes and improving his opportunities for advancement. He faced the necessity of entering upon a gainful occupation, and early in his business career he

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established, with L. E. Flory, the firm of Flory & Baker, at the corner of Front and Main streets, dealers in dry goods, furnishings and shoes. This firm was organized in 1886 and Mr. Baker was associated therewith until 1892, when he withdrew and organized The B. R. Baker Company. From a modest beginning this has developed into not only the present magnificent establishment at Nos. 435-439 Summit street, in which are employed more than one hundred and twenty-five people, but the Cleveland store of The B. R. Baker Company on Euclid avenue is also one of the finest stores in its line in that city. In fact, this store is numbered among the largest and finest establishments in this country for men's and boys' apparel exclusively. These stores carry an extensive line of merchandise, specializing in men's and boys' apparel. Mr. Baker is not the type of a merchant whose methods have been mechanical or along a beaten path, but distinctly analytical and progressive. In 1904 he made a trip abroad especially to study stores. He had previously, as a result of extensive travel in the United States, studied merchandising methods in our principal cities. Two subsequent European trips, on which his wife and daughters accompanied him, while ostensibly made for pleasure, afforded opportunity for observing business and civic practices. Mr. Baker served as alderman, from what was the thirteenth ward, under Mayor Jones and was instrumental in the passing of various ordinances that had to do with the improvement and betterment of the city. Always a close observer and strong advocate of civic progress, his efforts have been a big factor in those circles in Toledo.

On November 27, 1883, Mr. Baker was married to Miss Mary F. Comte, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Comte, and they have two daughters: Grace M. was educated in Toledo private schools, later graduating from the Ursuline Academy, and afterward took up the study of kindergarten work, in which she was awarded a diploma, in the public schools of Toledo. Her husband, Joseph L. O'Neil, is the general manager of the B. R. Baker Company and they have three children, Bernard Baker, Joseph L., Jr., and Susanne; Genevieve Helen Katherine attended private school in Toledo, St. Mary of the Woods Academy and graduated from Marymount School and College at Tarrytown, New York. She pursued her art studies at the New York School of Fine and Applied Arts in New York city. She is now Mrs. Marvin H. Rorick of Toledo.

Mr. Baker is a member of the Toledo Club, the Country Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, the Commerce Club and the Toledo Retail Merchants Board—associations that suggest much of the nature of his recreational interests. While he is one of the city's highly successful merchants and has long been regarded as a strong, alert and enterprising business man, his value and worth as a citizen and employer have been many times attested. He is a genuine "Toledoan," awake to the city's best interests, with implicit confidence in Toledo's future, and displaying a public-spiritedness that cannot be questioned. In the management of his business he has always shown a real consideration and manifested much more than an employer's usual interest in his employes. The result has been not only a material factor in the success of The B. R. Baker Company but has established the entire organization as a standard in commercial circles wherever it is known. Mr. Baker's start in business was in a very modest way and his success has come from the utilization of his native ability and clean business methods, winning a reputation for commercial integrity not surpassed by any business house in Toledo. He has not lived merely to accumulate. His generosity and charity are seldom appealed to by worthy causes or deserving individuals without a response. Often without an appeal voluntary moves of this character have been made in a quiet way and unknown except to the

recipients. Mr. Baker stands as a high type of the American citizen, resourceful, farsighted, public-spirited, and with that steadfastness of purpose which enables him to accomplish his object in the upbuilding of individual fortune and in the support of interests of vital worth to the community. His residence, "Gray Gate," on Copeland boulevard, is one of the attractive homes of the up River Road section.

SIDNEY SPITZER

Sidney Spitzer, founder and head of the banking house of Sidney Spitzer and Company, is not only a prominent figure in financial circles of Toledo, but one of the best known investment bankers in the United States.

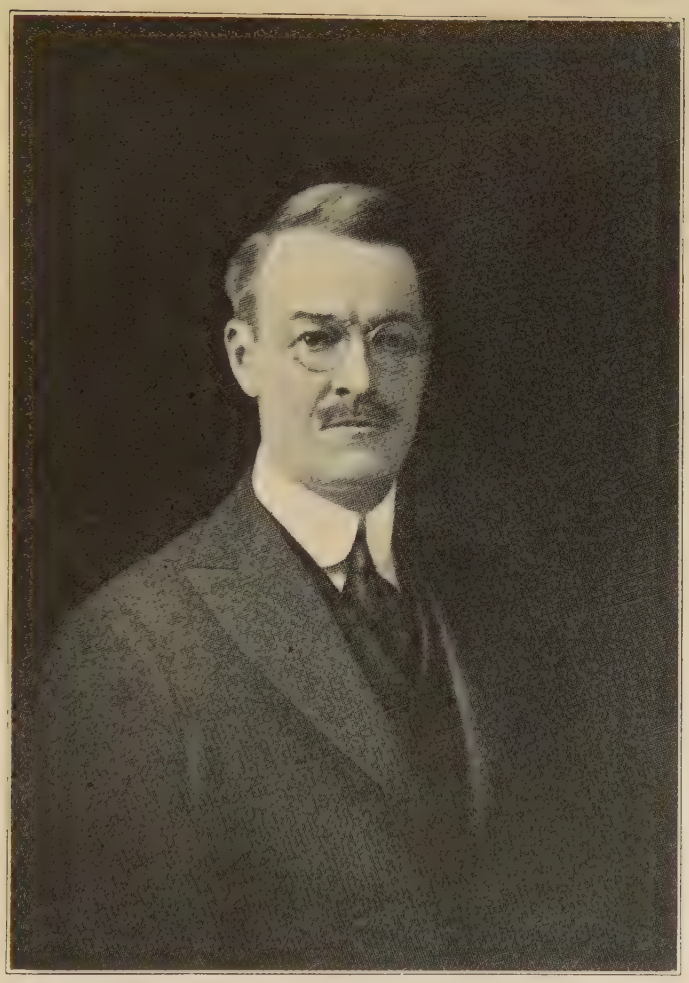
Mr. Spitzer was born on a farm near Medina, Ohio, February 15, 1875, son of Aaron B. and Anna (Collins) Spitzer, was educated in the public schools at Medina and started in a small business of his own while he was still in school. Coming from a family of bankers, Mr. Spitzer was naturally inclined toward a banking rather than a professional career.

Associated with his brother Frank Spitzer, they organized the Citizens Savings Bank of Pemberville, Ohio, in 1897, of which institution Mr. Spitzer was one of the executive officers. In 1899 he resigned his position with the Pemberville bank to become associated with Spitzer and Company, investment bankers of Toledo, dealers in municipal bonds, where he soon rose to a place of distinction and later was made a general partner and placed in charge of the purchase of bonds until 1911, when he severed his connection to form the firm bearing his name. Before starting his new banking house Mr. Spitzer, accompanied by Mrs. Spitzer, took an extended trip around the world, visiting all the principal countries of Europe as well as the Far East. On his return to Toledo, in 1912, he established the banking house of Sidney Spitzer and Company, dealers in government, municipal, and other high grade investment bonds.

Starting in a small way this business has grown until it has extended to a volume reaching into the hundreds of millions of dollars, placing the firm in the foremost rank among the important investment bond houses of America, with offices in New York, Toledo, Chicago, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Columbus, New Orleans, and in Dallas, Texas, and Columbia, South Carolina.

Mr. Spitzer is also actively interested in real estate, being one of the large owners and the managing director of the seventeen story Nicholas building in Toledo, one of the largest and finest office buildings in the state, containing nearly one thousand offices. He also has other extensive real estate interests in Toledo.

Mr. Spitzer is director in the Commerce Guardian Trust and Savings Bank, as well as several other large financial and industrial institutions in the middle west. He is the president of the Toledo Chapter of the American Archaeological Society and has been identified with various other progressive movements having to do with Toledo's upbuilding and advancement, including the Toledo Museum of Art, of which he is a trustee. He is a member of the Toledo Club, Toledo Chamber of Commerce, Inverness Club, Toledo Country Club, Toledo Automobile Club, the Carranor Hunt and Polo Club, Everglades Club of Palm Beach, Bankers Club of New York, the Maumee Valley Pioneer and Historical Association, the Historical Society of North America and the Investment Bankers Association of America.



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In April, 1903, Mr. Spitzer was married to Alice Louise Horton of Adrian, Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Spitzer have one son, Sidney Horton Spitzer, born January 11, 1904, in Toledo.

Mr. Spitzer has traveled very extensively, both in this country and abroad, and finds in this his chief recreation.

While Mr. Spitzer has always belonged to many clubs and societies, his chief interest is in his country estate, "Horton Hall," at Perrysburg, Ohio, which is one of the most beautiful homes located within Toledo's suburban district and which is also one of the most interesting homes in the Maumee valley, from a historical standpoint. Within the walls of this stately old mansion which was erected over one hundred years ago, many men of world importance have been entertained, among whom were Daniel Webster and three of the presidents of the United States, William Henry Harrison, William McKinley and Warren G. Harding.

WILLIAM F. BROER

William F. Broer, president and treasurer of the W. F. Broer Company, wholesale and retail jewelers of Toledo, established business on his own account in 1904, opening a small store in the Smith & Baker building. Since that time the business has steadily grown and developed by reason of his energy, close application and his earnest efforts to please his patrons. Each passing year has marked a steady advancement and today Mr. Broer is at the head of one of the well known commercial houses of Toledo. Born in Pemberville, Ohio, on the 20th of October, 1878, he is a son of William H. and Elizabeth (Witker) Broer. The father is a native of Germany, while the mother was born in Ohio. The former came to America in the late '60s and settled in Pemberville, where he conducted a jewelry business until 1878, when he removed to Toledo, where he remains an active factor in the jewelry trade. His wife died in the year 1904.

William F. Broer is the second in order of birth in a family of nine children. He attended the public schools of Toledo and then began learning the jeweler's trade with his father. He gained intimate knowledge of the business and was actively connected with the father until 1904, when he became associated with C. K. Merrill, forming the Merrill & Broer Company, the business being established in a modest way in the Smith & Baker building. The venture had a steady growth from the beginning, and in 1915 the entire second floor of the Dime Savings Bank building was leased to accommodate the rapidly expanding trade. In 1916 Mr. Broer purchased the interest of Mr. Merrill and in turn admitted a number of the employes to partnership. In January, 1920, the corporate name was changed to the W. F. Broer Company, with William F. Broer as president and treasurer, William H. Broer and Jay W. Williams as vice presidents, and Albert R. Perry as secretary. Mr. Broer is also a director of the Broer-Kapp Company, retail jewelers of Toledo, and has made for himself a creditable place among the substantial business men of the city.

On the 30th of March, 1904, Mr. Broer was married to Miss Ethel Griffin, a daughter of Hon. Charles P. Griffin of Toledo. They have become parents of four children: Carleton, who was born in 1906; Marjorie, born in 1909; Marion, whose birth occurred in 1911; and William F., Jr., whose natal year was 1919.

The religious faith of the family is indicated in their membership in the First

Congregational church, in the work of which they take active and helpful interest, Mr. Broer serving as a member of the church board. He is also a valued and active member of the Rotary Club, being one of the organizers of the crippled children's work, and serving as chairman of the committee in charge until his election as president of the club in 1918. He also belongs to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He manifests a deep interest in philanthropic movements and at present is serving as president of the Council of Social Agencies and member of the board of directors of the Community Chest. He is likewise interested in all those forces and organized efforts which are looking to the benefit and upbuilding of the city, to the extension of its trade relations and to the maintenance of high civic standards. In social circles, too, he is well known, enjoying the warm friendship and high regard of many of his co-members in the Toledo, Inverness, Toledo Yacht and Maumee River Yacht clubs. Moreover, his connection with these organizations indicates the nature of his recreation and he especially enjoys marine sports. He is likewise a Mason, being a past master of Barton Smith Lodge, No. 613, F. & A. M., and affiliating with St. Omar Commandery, Knights Templars. He also has taken the degrees of the Scottish Rite, and is a Noble of Zenobia Temple, Mystic Shrine. Mr. Broer's residence is on Ridgewood road, Ottawa Hills.

CHARLES P. REYNOLDS

Charles P. Reynolds, president and founder of The Reynolds Monument Company of Toledo, is one of the best known men in his line of business in northwestern Ohio. He was born in Bolivar, Ohio, October 22, 1879, a son of William H. and Charlotte (Parks) Reynolds, also natives of this state. For many years the father was a successful farmer near Wauseon, Ohio, but is now deceased, being survived by his widow who resides in that locality. Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds were the parents of three children: Ernest C., whose home is at Wauseon; Mrs. C. F. Hartman, the wife of a prominent physician of that place; and Charles P.

In the acquirement of an education Charles P. Reynolds attended the public schools of Wauseon, Ohio, and his collegiate training was acquired at Angola, Indiana. Later he completed a course in a business college at Poughkeepsie, New York, and began his business career as a bookkeeper for the Stolberg & Parks Furniture Company of Toledo. Owing to failing health he was obliged to seek a milder climate and spent a short time in California. Having regained his health, he returned to Toledo and for a time filled clerical positions in that city, later becoming a resident of Wauseon, where he entered the monument business. Subsequently he sold out and returned to Toledo, organizing the Reynolds Monument Company in 1913. He has since been president of the undertaking and is also at the head of the Fostoria Monument Company of Fostoria, Ohio. He possesses an aptitude for successful management and always carefully plans his business, which has steadily developed since its inception, now ranking with the leading enterprises of the kind in the city.

In Oakland, California, on the 27th of June, 1903, Mr. Reynolds married Miss Alwillda J. Shaffer, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Shaffer of Wauseon, Ohio, and they have become the parents of three children: Harold S., who was born in 1904 and is a student at the Scott high school; Helen C., who was born in 1909

and is attending the public schools; and Elizabeth J., who was born in 1913, and is also a public school pupil.

Mr. Reynolds and his family attend the Ashland Avenue Baptist church of Toledo, and when national issues are involved he supports the republican party, but at local elections he casts his ballot in favor of the candidate whom he regards as best qualified for office, irrespective of party ties. His fraternal connections are with the Masons and the Knights of Pythias and he is also a member of the Optimist Club. He is an enthusiastic supporter of his city because of his belief in its opportunities and advantages and has aided in the promotion of many projects for its development. He is a self-made man, before whom the door of opportunity has swung open because of his ability, industry and determination. He is highly regarded in business circles of Toledo and has many friends, whose esteem he has won and retained by reason of his high principles and fine personal qualities. Mr. Reynolds' residence is at No. 2213 Hollywood avenue.

CYRIL GEORGE STEINBICKER

Cyril George Steinbicker is recognized as a dynamic force in the business circles of Toledo. Steadily he has advanced, until his forcefulness and resourcefulness have had a marked influence over the industrial activity and development of this city and his life story is of stimulating effect, showing what can be accomplished when there is a will to dare and to do. His present position is that of treasurer of the Bock Bearing Company, one of the important productive industries of northwestern Ohio.

Cyril George Steinbicker was born in Cincinnati, July 9, 1886, his parents being Henry George and Bernardina (Weber) Steinbicker. The father was a contractor, identified with building operations in Cincinnati, and there the son was reared and educated, attending the parochial schools, the high school and afterward a business college, in which he qualified for duties in the commercial world. He was first employed as a stenographer and afterward as private secretary to a merchandise broker, with whom he remained for four years. On the expiration of that period he was placed in charge of the counting and credit department of a silk manufacturing establishment, with which he continued for three years. He next became secretary of a spring and axle manufacturing concern at Cincinnati, Ohio, serving in that official position for four years, while during the succeeding four years he acted in the dual capacity of secretary and treasurer. The business was merged with the Standard Parts Company in 1917 and to Mr. Steinbicker were assigned the duties of auditor and assistant treasurer of the new organization. In April, 1920, he was elected treasurer of the Bock Bearing Company of Toledo, of which he is also one of the directors. This is today one of the large and important productive industries of the city, furnishing employment to six hundred and fifty people. The plant covers ten acres and the buildings contain one hundred and fifteen thousand square feet of floor space. There are four buildings, splendidly equipped with the latest improved machinery for the manufacture of bearings, and the company is capitalized for one million, six hundred thousand dollars.

On the 16th of June, 1909, Mr. Steinbicker wedded Miss Carolyn Holtman of Cincinnati and they have become parents of five children: Robert Henry, Ralph Cyril, Marian Adel, Cyril Joseph and Helen Jeanne. Mr. Steinbicker is a devotee

of our national game of baseball and greatly enjoys the work done on the diamond. His life has been one of intense and well directed activity, in which his achievements have been the expression of his innate powers and talents and also of the laudable ambition which has actuated him at every point in his career. Steadily he has advanced, determining his own course and his own fate, and the high ideals which have actuated him have placed him in a commanding position among the prominent representatives of manufacturing and industrial activity in his adopted city.

WALTER LINT ROSS

The life record of Walter Lint Ross, president, receiver and a director of the Toledo, St. Louis & Western Railroad Company, is a notable example of splendid achievement through individual effort and those who know aught of his history recognize in him a man whose inherent force of character and well developed powers give him prestige over his fellows. It is a far step from messenger boy to the presidency of one of the large transportation systems of the country and out of the struggle with small opportunities he has come into a field of broad influence and usefulness. He was born at Bloomington, Illinois, January 1, 1865, and his parents were Alexander S. and Margaret Ross. The ancestors in the paternal line were natives of Scotland, whence they emigrated to the United States, becoming early settlers of Pennsylvania, and the mother was a representative of an old family of Kentucky.

The public schools of his native town afforded Walter Lint Ross his educational opportunities and in early life his natural inclination was toward railroading. Beginning as a messenger boy, he rapidly advanced to the position of telephone operator and later became a clerk in the office of the Western Union Telegraph Company at Pontiac, Illinois. He next secured employment as a telegraph operator and as his experience and ability increased he was steadily promoted, becoming successively ticket clerk, billing clerk, cashier, chief clerk in the dispatcher's office terminal, local agent, general agent, division freight and passenger agent, assistant general freight and passenger agent, traffic manager, general traffic manager, vice president in charge of traffic, and finally assumed the duties of his present office. He has been in the service of the following corporations: The Western Union Telegraph Company, Wabash Railroad Company, Illinois Central Railroad Company, Toledo, St. Louis & Western Railroad Company, Detroit & Toledo Shore Line Railroad Company, Toledo Terminal Company, Minneapolis & St. Louis Railroad Company, Iowa Central Railroad Company, and Chicago & Alton Railroad Company. In addition to serving as president, receiver and a director of the Toledo, St. Louis & Western Railroad Company he is also president and a director of the Detroit & Toledo Shore Line Railroad Company; vice president and a director of the Toledo Terminal Railroad Company; a director of the Hocking Valley Railroad Company; and vice president and a director of the Commerce Guardian Trust & Savings Bank of Toledo. He is preeminently a man of large affairs and one who wields a wide influence. He is the possessor of superior executive ability and has the power of concentration which enables him to give his entire thought to the matter in hand and thus he brings to bear all of his force in the accomplishment of his purpose.

Mr. Ross was married at Streator, Illinois, to Miss Katherine C. Cox and they

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have become the parents of two children, a son and a daughter: George Sidney Ross was born December 21, 1894, in Streator, Illinois, and after completing his high school course he became connected with transportation interests and is now secretary and treasurer of the Toledo, St. Louis & Western Railroad Company, known as the Clover Leaf System, with offices in Toledo. When the United States entered the World war Mr. Ross tendered his services to his country and owing to his experience along transportation lines he was assigned to the department of railroad administration, in which connection he rendered valuable service to the government throughout the period of hostilities. He married Miss Lucille Butler of Chicago, Illinois, and they have two children, Lucille, and Thomas Butler who was born June 28, 1920. The daughter, Mildred Ross, was also born in Streator, Illinois, and completed her education at Northwestern University. She was married in Chicago to H. A. Crowe, who is likewise a graduate of that institution of learning and is now the vice president of the Ames-Kiebler Printing Company of Toledo. They are the parents of two children, Walter and Katherine Harker.

Walter L. Ross is a Knights Templar Mason and in Oriental Consistory he has taken the thirty-second degree, while he is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the standing committee of the Association of Railway Executives and is a prominent clubman, belonging to the Inverness Golf Club of Toledo, of which he is the president; the Toledo Country and Automobile clubs, the Toledo Club, the Chicago Athletic and Chicago clubs; and the Streator Club. He has never been content to choose the second best, and holding to high ideals, he has made his work a dynamic force in accomplishing results which have been factors in an advancing civilization. His is the record of a self-made man who has constructed his own success—a record which the American public holds in the highest honor.

EDWARD GUSTAVUS SHAWAKER

Edward Gustavus Shawaker, who for the period of twenty-seven years has conducted a wholesale leather and findings business under the name of the E. G. Shawaker Company, was born in Ashland county, Ohio, September 2, 1868, a son of Godfrey and Sarah (Ullman) Shawaker. The father was a manufacturer and tanner and from early boyhood Edward G. Shawaker was more or less familiar with this line of business, into which he eventually entered, finding here the opportunity for the exercise of his energy and diligence. His education was obtained in the public schools at Loudonville, Ohio, and he started out in the business world as a clerk in a dry goods store. In 1895, at the age of twenty-seven years, he became identified with the wholesale leather and findings business and in 1910 incorporated his interests under the name of the E. G. Shawaker Company, of which he has since been the president and manager. The business has now been in existence for twenty-seven years and has shown an annual growth and development that is indicative of capable management, of thorough understanding of the trade and of progressive measures and methods.

On the 7th of January, 1903, Mr. Shawaker was united in marriage to Miss Louise Schmidt of Toledo and they have three sons: Wayne Edward, who is a student in the University of Michigan; Ralph Franklin, who is attending the Scott high school; and Robert Paul. Mr. Shawaker is a Mason, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and Consistory, and he also belongs to

the Mystic Shrine. He has membership in the Inverness Club and largely finds his recreation in golf, greatly enjoying a game on the links. His interest in community affairs is that of a public-spirited citizen, who without desire for the honors or emoluments of office, nevertheless recognizes his duties and obligations in regard to public service and lends the weight of his aid and influence to all measures which he believes will prove helpful to city, commonwealth or country.

COLONEL GEORGE PLUMB WALDORF

Consistently shaping his course with regard to environment, capability and opportunity, Colonel George Plumb Waldorf came to rank with the representative and prosperous business men of Toledo and one who has exerted considerable influence over public thought and action, being recognized for many years as a leader in the ranks of the republican party in this state. Now at the age of seventy-three years he is living retired, yet keeping in touch with the progress and interest of the world through his wide reading. Colonel Waldorf was born in Brookfield Center, Trumbull county, Ohio, December 20, 1849, his parents being Asa Burton and Jerusha Eliza (Wilmot) Waldorf, who were in comfortable circumstances, the father being an attorney, who in 1852 took up his abode in Lima, Ohio.

George Plumb Waldorf pursued his early education in the public schools and afterward entered the Phillips Exeter Academy at Exeter, New Hampshire, there pursuing a course prepartory to entering Harvard, but ill health and other circumstances forced him to change his plans. His father had died in 1859 and as it became necessary to assist his mother he accepted employment in a bookstore at Lima, working for one hundred and fifty dollars per year. Close application, energy and efficiency, however, enabled him to advance in the business world and later he purchased the store in which he had first been employed. From 1877 until 1886 he filled the position of postmaster of Lima and then with the discovery of oil in the Lima district he entered the oil game, becoming general manager and treasurer of the Trenton Rock Oil Company, with which he was identified for several years, when they sold out to the Standard Oil Company.

It was in 1889 that Colonel Waldorf came to Toledo and was here appointed collector of internal revenue for the tenth district, occupying the position for thirteen years, or until September, 1907. He has always been a republican since age conferred upon him the right of franchise and from early manhood has been an active worker in party ranks. In 1888 he was made a delegate to the republican national convention from the Lima district and was again sent as a delegate in 1904 from the Toledo district. He has held no political offices, however, outside of that of postmaster and of collector of internal revenue, for business interests of importance have claimed his time and energy. He has become a large property owner in Toledo and in 1915 he began the erection of the Hotel Waldorf, a fireproof structure of ten stories and containing five hundred and five rooms. While he has retired from active business he still supervises his investments, displaying the same clear insight into business conditions and situations that marked his earlier life.

In 1871, in Lima, Ohio, Colonel Waldorf was united in marriage to Miss Mary Reed Holmes, who passed away in the year of 1899. In 1901 he wedded Viella Holmes Porter, a widowed sister of his first wife, who passed on in 1918. Colonel Waldorf has membership in the Masonic fraternity. He was a member of the Pres-

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byterian chuch from the age of fifteen until the year 1913, when he was admitted into membership of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Toledo, and also of the mother church at Boston, Massachusetts, and in 1918 he became a practitioner of Christian Science. He also belongs to the Sons of the American Revolution and the same patriotic strain which prompted his ancestors to espouse the cause of liberty in the war for independence has always characterized him in his relation to the public, his labors being an effective force in promoting any plan or project for the welfare of community, commonwealth or country. He is today one of the venerable and honored citizens of Toledo, respected by all who know him and most of all where he is best known. He resides at No. 616 Lincoln avenue, where he has lived for the past nineteen years.

MORRISON W. YOUNG

Morrison W. Young, a financier and representative business man whose ability has brought him to the presidency of the Second National Bank and to the active control of important commercial and manufacturing enterprises, is classed with those men who are directing the destinies of Toledo and who in recent years have been the builders and promoters of her greatness. Mr. Young was born in Maumee, Ohio, in September, 1860, his parents being Samuel M. and Angeline L. (Upton) Young, long identified with the interests of northwestern Ohio. The father was born at Lebanon, Grafton county, New Hampshire, in 1806, and after attending the public schools entered upon preparation for law practice and was admitted to the bar. He became a resident of Maumee, Lucas county, in 1835 and there entered upon the practice of law. When Lucas county was organized he was elected its first auditor, serving for two years. For a considerable period he was the senior partner in the firm of Young & Waite, the junior partner being Morrison R. Waite, who for a year was a student in the law office of Mr. Young before entering into partnership relations and who subsequently became chief justice of the United States supreme court. In 1855 the firm established an office in Toledo but in the following year Mr. Young retired from active practice, having previously become a prominent factor in the Cleveland & Toledo Railroad Company and afterward with the Columbus & Toledo Railway Company. He entered banking circles in 1855, when with others he purchased the old Bank of Toledo, to the management of which he gave much of his attention. In 1865 this was reorganized as the Toledo National Bank and Mr. Young was chosen the first president, remaining in that office until January, 1890. In 1862, as senior partner in the firm of Young & Backus, he erected the giant elevators on Water street near Adams street and for eighteen years was closely associated with the grain and elevator trade in this city. In fact many of the most important business enterprises of the nineteenth century owe their existence and successful management to him. He also exerted a wide influence over political thought and action and as well in connection with the religious development of the city, being an active member of the Trinity Episcopal church. He died January 1, 1897. A contemporary biographer has written of him: "The late Mr. Young was not only distinguished by the possession of singular faculties as an executive and business genius, but had qualities of leadership among men, a devotion to duty, a fidelity to high ideals, and conscientious performance of every obligation imposed upon him. By sixty-one years of residence he was

easily one of Lucase county's most distinguished citizens. However, his name and the recognition paid to his abilities were not confined to his home county. He was well known in financial and political circles all over Ohio and even in the larger centers of the nation. Along with the dignity that goes with large practical achievements he possessed that dignity that comes from character and true gentlehood."

Morrison Waite Young, reared in Toledo, attended the public schools until 1876 and then pursued a preparatory course in the Hopkins grammar school at New Haven, Connecticut, whereby he became qualified to enter Yale in the fall of 1879. He was there graduated with the class of 1883 and following his return home he initiated his business career through connection with the Clover Leaf and the Wheeling & Lake Erie railroads. After two years he turned his attention to the hardwood lumber business and also supplied ties to the Pennsylvania and Lake Shore railroads, building up a business of large and substantial proportions in that connection, with which he was associated until 1890. Following his father's demise he took over the management of the Young estate, involving large and important property and commercial interests and he also became president of the Blade Printing & Paper Company, the interest of which had engaged his father's attention for many years. For an extended period Mr. Young has also figured in financial circles as an officer and director of the Second National Bank and the recognition of his keen sagacity, sound judgment and progressive business methods led to his election to the presidency of that institution on January 14, 1908, as the successor to the late Edwin Jackson. In this position he is at the head of an institution which for fifty-nine years has been a factor in Toledo's development, growth and progress. His entire course has proven him a worthy successor of his father. He has developed his powers in accordance with the demands and opportunities of the time, showing a marked mastery of business situations and a wise use of the opportunities which have come to him. He is president and one of the organizers of the Summit Trust Company, and a director and organizer of The Toledo Plate & Window Glass Company. He is also a director of the Northwestern Elevator & Mill Company and was formerly a director and the vice president of the Toledo Gas Light & Coke Company. He is actuated by a determined purpose that reaches its objective, for in his vocabulary there is no such word as fail.

Mr. Young is also well known in social circles, having membership in the Toledo Club, of which he has served as president; in the Toledo Commerce Club and in the Toledo Country Club. While the advantages of his youth were liberal he has directed his efforts in fields where individual merit and ability are the only factors that count in the attainment of results and today he is recognized as one of the distinguished business men and financiers of Toledo.

JOHN W. LANDIN

John W. Landin, a prominent building contractor of Toledo, is closely associated with the development and upbuilding of the city and in the conduct of his business affairs he displays that spirit of enterprise which works for individual success and also constitutes a factor in public prosperity. He was born in New Haven, Indiana, September 24, 1879, of the marriage of William and Theresa (Mack) Landin, who were also natives of the Hoosier state. The father devoted his life to the occupation of farming and his demise occurred at New Haven, Indiana, in 1882. The

mother survives and now makes her home at Defiance, Ohio. In their family were two children: John W. and Mary.

The public schools of New Haven and Fort Wayne, Indiana, afforded John W. Landin his educational opportunities and on starting out in life for himself he learned the carpenter's trade, after which he engaged in structural iron work and in cabinetmaking. He followed that trade in the employ of the Toledo Lumber Company until about 1920, when, in association with Karl Fink, a fellow workman, he organized the general contracting and building firm of Landin & Fink, of which he has since been a member. Starting in a small way, they have built up a business of substantial proportions, and on many sides are to be seen evidences of their handiwork. In the execution of contracts they are prompt, efficient and thoroughly trustworthy and their business transactions are at all times characterized by integrity and honesty.

Mr. Landin has been married twice. At Rome, New York, on the 23d of November, 1902, he wedded Miss Eva Long, a daughter of John J. Long, and her demise occurred in August, 1904. They were the parents of a son, Everett J., who was born in Rome in 1904 and is now a student at St. John's College of Toledo. On the 12th of February, 1910, at Defiance, Ohio, Mr. Landin was again married, his second union being with Miss Cecelia Wagner, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Wagner, prominent residents of that city. Mr. Landin is a communicant of the Roman Catholic church and he is also a member of the Knights of Columbus, in which he has attained the third degree. He has eagerly grasped every opportunity which has come his way and each step in his career has been a forward one. He is alert, energetic and resourceful and his enterprise and ability have carried him steadily onward toward the goal of success.

KARL J. FINK

Karl J. Fink is a well known building contractor of Toledo whose success has been founded upon broad practical experience and expert ability, and his labors have contributed materially to the upbuilding and improvement of the city with which he has allied his interests. He was born abroad on the 11th of September, 1879, a son of John and Fredericka (Baerle) Fink, who are also of European birth, and the father is likewise a builder and contractor. He is now eighty-six years of age and the mother has reached the age of eighty-three.

The fourth in order of birth in a family of eight children, Karl J. Fink attended the public schools of his native land and also a technical school, in which he learned the cabinetmaker's trade. At the age of fourteen years he began assisting his father in his building operations and remained in his native land until 1906, when he sought the opportunities offered in the United States to an ambitious, energetic young man, first locating at Defiance, Ohio. He secured work as a cabinetmaker in Geiger's furniture factory and remained there until 1915, when he came to this city and obtained employment with the Toledo Lumber Company, with which he was connected for five years. He then joined John W. Landin, also a workman at that plant, and they established a general building and contracting business, which they have since conducted successfully under the firm style of Landin & Fink. Their business has rapidly developed, owing to their straightforward dealing and

thorough knowledge of the work in which they are engaged, and they have been awarded a large number of contracts.

At Defiance, Ohio, on the 9th of May, 1907, Mr. Fink was married to Miss Annie Merzk, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Merzk, and they have become the parents of six children: Annie, whose birth occurred in 1908; Karl, born in 1910; Roland, born in 1911; Eugene, born in 1914; Robert, born in 1917; and Edward, born in 1919. The first four children are natives of Defiance and the last two were born in Toledo. The family attended the German Methodist Episcopal church and Mr. Fink is a member of the American Legal Association and the Young Men's Christian Association. In his business career he has demonstrated what it is possible to accomplish through determined effort, wisely directed. As the architect of his own fortunes he has builded wisely and well and his labors have brought him a desirable measure of success, while they have also been a source of benefit to his city.

WILLIAM HENRY FISHER, M. D.

Dr. William Henry Fisher, eminent in the field of surgery, belongs to that class of representatives of the medical profession, who have made their calling something more than a means of livelihood. Dr. Fisher has studied the profession and its opportunities from the standpoint of utmost service and scientific advancement, delving deep into the questions which have to do with standardization of hospitals and all those grave, broad and important problems that in any way concern professional advancement and the higher achievements of the medical fraternity. For a number of years he has practiced most successfully in Toledo, in which city he was born on the 25th of February, 1870. He was graduated from the high school and pursued his preliminary medical studies under the direction of his father, A. W. Fisher, a capable physician of that day. At length he entered the medical department of the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated in 1891. The following year he was appointed surgeon for the United States Public Health and Marine Hospital service for the port of Toledo and occupied the position for thirteen years, at the end of which time he resigned. He then received postgraduate instruction in surgery in New York schools and hospitals and also attended clinics in the surgical centers of Europe in 1900, since which time he has visited repeatedly all the important surgical centers in the United States, thus constantly promoting his knowledge and efficiency. He has served on the surgical staff of the Toledo Hospital, the Lucas County and St. Vincent's hospitals and at the present writing is a member of the advisory board of the last named. He is lecturer on gynecology to the Nurses Training School and is visiting surgeon to the hospital and is also director of gynecology at the Lucas County Hospital. For several years he gave special lectures on gynecology and cystoscopy and held surgical clinics in the interests of the Toledo Medical College. After the most persevering endeavors covering nearly twenty-five years, in association with other members of the profession, reorganization of staffs, standardization of hospitals, the building of proper homes for nurses, and the establishment of free dispensaries and clinics were consummated. The importance of this work can scarcely be overestimated and from the beginning of his professional career Dr. Fisher has made valuable contribution to the advancement of the science of medicine with direct application thereto to the needs of suffering humanity.

DR. WILLIAM H. FISHER

Dr. Fisher was president of the Toledo Medical Association in 1900 and 1901 and in addition to his connection therewith he has membership in the Lucas County, the Ohio State and American Medical associations and is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

Dr. Fisher is a republican by birth and principles. He has never sought political preferment but takes a keen and active interest in civic, state and national policies and lends the weight of his influence on the side of progress and improvement at all times. Fraternally he is connected with the Masons, is a thirty-second degree Consistory member and Mystic Shriner and he is also identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is a life member of the Union Club of Michigan, while in Toledo he has membership in the Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Club and the Inverness Club. His membership relations also extend to the First Congregational church and he has ever been keenly interested in those forces which make for advancement in any field wherein the welfare of society and the betterment of the individual are involved. His residence is at No. 2540 Scottwood avenue.

JOHN ALLEN HAMILTON

Many years have passed since John Allen Hamilton was called to his final rest, but he is remembered in the business circles of Toledo through his connection with the lumber trade and his memory is cherished by many friends who esteemed him for his sterling worth and the splendid qualities of manhood and citizenship which he ever displayed. A native son of Ohio, he was born in Piqua, February 25, 1838, a son of John and Flora (Patterson) Hamilton and a great-grandson of Alexander Hamilton, who settled in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, after his discharge from the Continental army at the close of the Revolutionary war. His grandfather, John Hamilton, married Susanna Allen, a daughter of Judge John Allen of Fayette county, Pennsylvania. He pursued his more advanced education in Marietta College and in young manhood was identified with the coal business, but during the greater part of his life was connected with the lumber trade. He operated in this line in Toledo in connection with the Mitchell & Rowland Company and afterward became the senior member of the firm of Hamilton, McClure & Company at Saginaw, Michigan, there concentrating his efforts and attention upon the cutting and marketing of timber to the time of his demise, and building up a business which was at the time one of the largest in the Saginaw valley, with timber lands in Canada, as well as in upper and lower Michigan.

During the Civil war period Mr. Hamilton served as a member of the Home Guard at Portsmouth, Ohio. His political allegiance was always given to the republican party, which found in him a stanch and stalwart supporter. He belonged to the Saginaw Club at Saginaw, Michigan, and while in Toledo he had membership in the Westminster Presbyterian church, but following the establishment of his home at Saginaw he became a member of the First Congregational church of that city. His life was characterized by fidelity to duty and he followed advanced principles that made him a man whom to know was to esteem and honor.

On the 6th of October, 1859, at Cincinnati, Ohio, Mr. Hamilton was united in marriage to Miss Harriet Hale Rowland, a direct descendant of Edward Fuller of the Mayflower. The line of descent comes down through Edward Fuller, Samuel Fuller, Samuel Fuller (II), Matthew Fuller, Caleb Fuller and Mrs. Caroline

Matilda (Fuller) Chapman, to Mrs. Abigail Storrs (Chapman) Rowland, the mother of Harriet (Rowland) Hamilton, who was likewise a lineal descendant of Anne Hutchinson and Thomas Welde, who collaborated with Richard Mather and John Eliot in writing the "Bay Psalm-Book." Mrs. Hamilton was thus connected with some of the most distinguished New England families. She was born in Salem, Indiana, February 11, 1840, a daughter of Jeremiah and Abigail S. (Chapman) Rowland, who during her early childhood took up their abode in Cincinnati, Ohio, where her father was prominent as a lawyer and judge for many years. Mrs. Hamilton acquired her more advanced educational training in Wesleyan College and was graduated with the degree of M. E. L. in 1856. By her marriage she became the mother of seven children: Rowland Starr, now deceased; Bertha, the deceased wife of Henry C. Potter, Jr., of Saginaw, Michigan; Grace, the wife of John H. Howry, living in Denver, Colorado; William McClure, who has also passed away; John Alan, who married Lorraine E. Melvin of Toledo, Ohio, and is now living in Buffalo, New York; Ralph Bergen, who married Edith Seixas of New York and is now deceased; and Bartelle Sawyer, who married Elizabeth Schenck of Toledo and is living in this city. Like her husband Mrs. Hamilton was a member of the Congregational church. She long occupied an enviable position in the social circles of the city and had a legion of warm friends here. The demise of John Allen Hamilton occurred at Saginaw, Michigan, on the 14th of November, 1886. Harriet Rowland Hamilton died on January 22, 1923, at Toledo, Ohio.

EDWIN J. MARSHALL

Edwin J. Marshall, senior member of the well known law firm of Marshall & Fraser, was born in this city, on the 28th of June, 1873, his parents being John W. and Margaret (Baker) Marshall.

Edwin J. Marshall graduated from the old Central high school with the class of 1892 and received his LL. B. degree from Cornell University, with the class of 1895. The following year he entered into partnership with Harold W. Fraser, as the firm of Marshall & Fraser, which has existed without interruption to the present time.

On the 8th of October, 1899, Mr. Marshall was married to Miss Helen B. Boardman of Lowell, Massachusetts.

HOWLAND MADISON FLOWER, M. D.

Following the trend of the times, which is toward specialization in all lines of professional activity, Dr. Howland Madison Flower is limiting his practice to diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, in which he has become recognized as an authority, and his pronounced ability has established his position among Toledo's leading physicians. He was born at Moline, Illinois, May 30, 1869, and comes of a family that has long figured prominently in connection with the medical profession. His parents were Frank Warren and Caroline Frances (Brown) Flower, the former a native of Fishers Landing, New York, and the latter of Cherry Creek, that state. They removed to Illinois in early life and both were graduate

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physicians, successfully following their chosen profession in that state and also in Iowa and Missouri. The mother also practiced in California and was among the first of her sex to enter the field of medical science. Two children were born to them: Courtney Warren, who is a merchant and resides in Sedalia, Missouri; and Howland Madison.

After completing his public school training Howland Madison Flower attended a normal school and later became a student at the Chicago Homeopathic College, from which he was graduated in 1895. The next eighteen months were spent as an interne at the Chicago College Hospital and he then came to Toledo, where he has since followed his profession. He has taken postgraduate courses in the medical centers of this country and of Europe and has ever been actuated by the laudable desire to progress. He was in general practice for eight years before taking up special work. He now specializes in diseases pertaining to the eye, ear, nose and throat, in the treatment of which he has been very successful, and his professional services are in constant demand.

Dr. Flower volunteered for service in the World war and was commissioned a captain in the United States army. He was stationed first at Camp Greenleaf, was later transferred to Fort Oglethorpe and subsequently sent to the base hospital at Camp Hancock, Georgia. He was next ordered overseas but received his discharge while preparing for embarkation. He belongs to the American Legion and is also a member of the Toledo Automobile Club, while his political tenets are those of the republican party. Fraternally he is identified with the Masons. His professional relations are with the Toledo & Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. His success as a medical practitioner proves that he has chosen the vocation best suited for the exercise of his talents and his professional colleagues and the public unite in bearing testimony as to his high character and marked ability.

LEWIS B. TUCKER

Lewis B. Tucker, senior member of the well known bond house of Tucker, Robison & Company, is one of the prominent figures in Toledo investment circles. He was born in Norwalk, Ohio, July 9, 1880, a son of Harmon Girard and Philena (Miller) Tucker. In 1883 they established their home in Toledo, where the father was at that time connected with railroad interests. Two sons were born to their union: Ray R., of Norwalk, Ohio; and Lewis B.

Lewis B. Tucker was but three years of age when his parents removed to Toledo. He attended the grammar and high schools of the city and entered upon his business career in the employ of Howard T. Radcliffe, interior decorator, then manager of the Sterling & Company store. For several years Mr. Tucker remained in that connection. Subsequently he became a student at the Toledo Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1906, but did not take up the work of the profession. He accepted a position as assistant secretary and treasurer of The Citizens Safe Deposit and Trust Company. In July, 1912, he joined Sidney Spitzer to establish the firm of Sidney Spitzer & Company, dealers in municipal bonds, and remained a partner in that firm until December 31, 1917. After a year and a half in the service of the United States treasury department at Washington, he organized the present firm of Tucker, Robison & Company. They are

dealers in bonds and other high grade investment securities and have attained a foremost position among the representative bond houses of Toledo. Mr. Tucker has made a close study of the business in which he is engaged and his familiarity with investment securities is of no little value to the extensive clientele enjoyed by Tucker, Robison & Company. Among his other business interests he is a director of the Rivoli Realty Company and also of the Riddle Manufacturing Company of Ravenna, Ohio.

At Bellevue, Ohio, on the 5th of July, 1901, Mr. Tucker was married to Miss Irma Tyler, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander C. Tyler, now residents of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Tucker have three children: Melville Keith, whose birth occurred May 7, 1903; Virginia Tyler, who was born in 1907; and Lewis Cornell, who was born in March, 1910.

Mr. and Mrs. Tucker are members of the Ashland Avenue Baptist church. His political support is given to the republican party, and he is a member of the Bankers Club of America and also a member of the Toledo Club and the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. During the World war Mr. Tucker was an executive in the state organization department of the War Savings Committee, connected with the treasury department and maintained his headquarters in Washington until after the armistice was signed. Throughout his career he has closely applied himself to the work in hand and his success has been distinctly the result of his own efforts and achieved in a manner that has brought to him a position of the highest standing in business circles. Mr. Tucker's residence is on the River road.

DANIEL M. AND CARL W. SCHMIDLIN

Daniel M. and Carl W. Schmidlin constitute The Schmidlin Brothers Company of Toledo, engaged in scientific heating, ventilating and general sheet metal work. The brothers are sons of Frederick and Elsie (Bitter) Schmidlin and are natives of Lucas county, Ohio. The grandfather came to this county about 1835 and here followed the occupation of farming for many years but is now living retired.

Daniel M. Schmidlin was born in Toledo, February 4, 1898, and was educated in the public schools and in a business college of Toledo, thus qualifying for life's practical and responsible duties. Starting out in the business world, he was employed as an accountant for a time and later was teller with the Ohio Trust & Savings Bank for a period of three years. On the 17th of November, 1917, he became associated with his brother, Carl W. Schmidlin, in the organization of The Schmidlin Brothers Company, for the conduct of a heating, ventilating and general sheet metal work business. Their plant is located at Nos. 410 to 414 Orange street and from the beginning their patronage has steadily grown until they now control a large trade. Daniel M. Schmidlin is the secretary and treasurer of the company and from the beginning his executive ability, keen business discernment and unfaltering enterprise have been strong factors in the continued success of the undertaking.

On the 15th of February, 1922, Daniel M. Schmidlin was united in marriage to Miss Mildred Davies of Columbus Grove, Ohio, and they are well known in Toledo, where they have many warm friends. Mr. Schmidlin is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and is interested in various activities which relate to the public welfare and general improvement of the community.

Carl W. Schmidlin was born in Lucas County December 18, 1892, pursued a public school education and also attended a business college. He afterward became a bookkeeper and was advanced to the position of office manager, serving in that capacity for seven years, after which he resigned his position to join his brother, D. M. Schmidlin, in the organization of The Schmidlin Brothers Company, of which he is the president. He is a member of the Builders Exchange and also of the Sheet Metal Contractors Association of Toledo.

On the 11th of June, 1919, Carl W. Schmidlin was married to Miss Helen Green of this city. The brothers are both widely known here, having spent their lives in Lucas county, and the sterling worth of their character, as well as their business force and ability, has gained them high standing in Toledo.

GEORGE E. HARDY

George E. Hardy, a member of one of the pioneer families of Toledo, has spent the greater part of his life in this city, in which he is well and favorably known, and is now serving as treasurer of The Johnston-Hardy Company, one of the prominent insurance firms of the city. His birth occurred at Swanton, Ohio, March 2, 1870, and his parents, George and Harriet E. (Barnes) Hardy, are natives, respectively, of Albany, New York, and Willoughby, Ohio. As a young man the father came to this state and in 1873 he established his home in Toledo. He was an expert painter and for many years had charge of the finishing department of the B. A. Stevens Company. He is now living retired in this city and the mother also survives. To their union were born five children and four of the number are still living, namely: Mrs. Elizabeth Redmond, of Byron, Michigan; and Mrs. May Decker, James and George E., all residents of Toledo.

George E. Hardy acquired his education in the grammar schools and a business college of this city and his initial business experience was obtained in the employ of H. P. Tobey & Company, dealers in marine, factory and mill supplies. In 1899 he formed a partnership with F. A. Dischinger, going into that same line of business opening an establishment on Water street in this city. Subsequently the firm became The Hardy-Dischinger Company. Mr. Hardy was thus occupied until 1907, when he bought out the Toledo White Lead Company and reorganized the business, adopting the form of The Hardy Paint & Varnish Company. This he successfully operated until February, 1914, when he sold his interests and became secretary for the Toledo Commerce Club, continuing to act in that capacity until September, 1918. He then resigned to accept a similar position with the Chamber of Commerce at Portland, Oregon, but remained in that city for only a short period and then returned to Toledo. He next became special agent, representing the local interests of the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company of Hartford, and the United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company, of Baltimore. Maryland, with which he was connected until August, 1920, when he purchased an interest in The Johnston-Decker Company and the name was changed to The Johnston-Hardy Company, of which he is now treasurer. This firm represents some of the strongest and most reliable insurance companies in the field and enjoys an extensive and representative clientele.

In Detroit, Michigan, on the 20th of June, 1893, Mr. Hardy married Miss Emily S. Logan, a daughter of Charles R. and Sylvia Logan, residents of Saginaw,

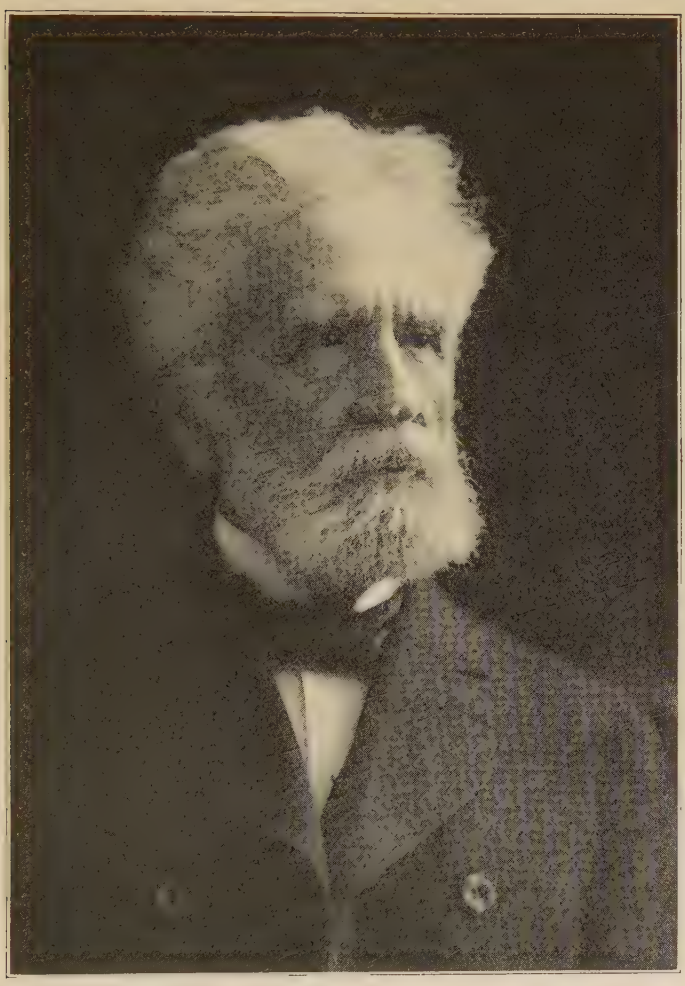
that state, and they became the parents of two children: Norris Logan, who was born December 24, 1894, and died August 31, 1916, when a young man of nearly twenty-two years; and Sylvia Ruth, who was born August 9, 1910, and is now attending the public schools.

Mr. Hardy is a Christian Scientist in religious faith and in Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree, belonging to both the York and Scottish Rites. He is a member of the Rotary Club, serving as the second president of the Toledo Rotarians and was one of the five founders of the Toledo Rotary Club in 1912. He is also connected with the Chamber of Commerce. In all that affects the welfare and upbuilding of his city he is quick to respond and his loyalty and public spirit prompt him to put forth effective effort in its behalf. He is chairman of the waterways and harbor committee of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and for twenty-five years he has been identified with that organization. He is also secretary of The Toledo Port Commission. He is a man of resolute purpose and marked strength of character and his course has at all times marked him as a citizen of worth. High regard is entertained for his genuine public spirit, civic pride and his devotion to the public welfare.

HARVEY P. PLATT

An outstanding figure in connection with the history of Toledo, Harvey P. Platt left the impress of his individuality and ability upon the annals of city and state. He was a notably courageous man, standing unfalteringly and loyally in support of any cause in which he believed and actuated at all times by a desire to make his service of public benefit and worth. He was associated with many projects important to the welfare of Toledo and ranked as one of her representative and honored business men. He was born at Schroon Lake, Essex county, New York, August 27, 1827, and was the fourth in a family of fifteen children, whose father was Daniel S. Platt. His mother was Caroline Wyman, who was one of the three wives of Daniel S. Platt, for death at different periods disturbed the household by removing the wife and mother from the family circle. The Platt family is of English lineage, the ancestral line being traced back to Richard Platt in the reign of Queen Elizabeth. There were various representatives of the name in England, who won coat of arms between the reign of Edward III and that of "Good Queen Bess." From Richard Platt previously mentioned descended another Richard Platt, who became the founder of the family in America in 1638, establishing his home in New Haven, Connecticut, where he acquired extensive property holdings and reared his family. He also aided in founding a church organization there and in developing a flourishing community. Ere his death he had lived to see his children marry and nineteen grandchildren perpetuating the Platt name. To each of these he bequeathed a Bible at the time of his death in 1684, at which time his estate was valued at six hundred pounds. A few years ago one of his descendants placed a memorial tablet for him among the coping stones of a beautiful bridge erected to the memory of early settlers across the Wapawaug at Milford, Connecticut, Richard Platt having aided in founding that township two hundred and fifty years before.

Harvey P. Platt, whose name introduces this review, belonged to what was known as the Lanesboro branch of the family, being descended from the fourth



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son of Richard Platt, the American progenitor, this fourth son being Josiah, who was born in America in 1645. The line comes on down through: John, born in 1677; Ebenezer, born in Milford in 1708; Abial I, born in Danbury, Connecticut, in 1745, and whose name is found on the roll of the Massachusetts state house at Boston as one of the six hundred men of Lanesboro furnished by the town for service in the Revolution. He married Rhoda Hall and they had seven children, including Jabez Hall Platt, who was the grandfather of Harvey P. Platt. The father, Daniel S. Platt, removed to Schroon, New York, about 1810 and there died in 1852. His eldest son, Edward Francis Platt, became a Baptist minister of Toledo in 1853, organizing the First Baptist church of this city. Another son, Edwin S. Platt, served with the rank of major in the Sixty-seventh Ohio Volunteer Infantry during the Civil war and died in Denver in 1881. A third son, James D. Platt, was a lieutenant colonel of the Tenth Ohio Volunteer Cavalry and became a prominent citizen of Dayton, connected with the Barney & Smith Car Works. A fourth son, Daniel Starr Platt, was also a soldier connected with the medical department, U. S. A., and was a business man of Kansas City.

Harvey P. Platt completed his education in the State Normal School at Albany, New York, and in 1851 removed to Ohio. In 1859 he took up his abode in Toledo, where he resided to the time of his death. In the meantime he had studied law in Cleveland and was admitted to the bar in 1853. Later he spent some time in South America, after which he again became a resident of Cleveland, where he resided until his removal to Toledo in 1859. He served as clerk of the first probate court in Cuyahoga county, Ohio, and in Toledo he entered upon the active practice of law but as the years passed his time was more and more largely given to other interests. He made extensive investments in real estate, becoming the owner of much valuable property, whereby his capital was greatly increased and he became one of the city's men of wealth.

In the year 1859 Mr. Platt was united in marriage to Miss Mary Oswald, who died in 1906. They became the parents of four children but all have passed away with the exception of Agnes Barney, who occupies the homestead at No. 318 Chestnut street.

Mr. Platt saw service in the Civil war, participating in the battle of Winchester as aid to the commanding officer, having gone there to seek his brother who was ill. At all times he was actuated by a progressive spirit in relation to his duties and obligations to the community, to the commonwealth and to the country. From the beginning of his residence in Toledo he was a prominent figure in the city's growth and improvement. He was the promoter of the first bridge, except railway bridges, across the Maumee river and this project he executed in 1864, at which time the population on both sides of the river had so greatly increased as to make the need of intercommunication very pressing. A proposition was made for the construction of a bridge on the present location of the Cherry street bridge in that year but it met with strong opposition on the ground that it would obstruct navigation. Mr. Platt, however, never faltered in his work in behalf of the project and was secretary of the company, which in August, 1864, let a contract for the building of the structure. The bridge was maintained by the company until 1872, when it was purchased by the city and utilized as a public thoroughfare until swept away by the flood of 1883, Mr. Platt being the last man to cross the bridge before it was swept into the stream. He was also interested in the development of marine facilities here and in 1869 secured the establishment of the present harbor lines on the east side of the river. In 1893 he was made one of Ohio's commissioners to the World Colum-

bian Exposition in Chicago. In 1906 he was active in contesting the erection of a straight bridge across the Maumee river and advocated the building of a U bridge with one foot on Cherry street and the other on Jackson street. Mr. Platt was ever a fighter. He stood courageously for what he believed to be for the best interests of the public, carrying his contentions into the courts and using every honorable means to further the end that he deemed of greatest public worth. When he passed away one of the local papers said: "His dream of a future metropolis comes to a sudden end. His progressiveness in the general development of the city was often misunderstood. As time passed, however, his opponents came to realize in him a man of unusual foresight and indomitable energy and in his death the city loses one of the great factors among the early builders of Toledo." His fearlessness, tenacity of purpose and courageous defense of what he believed to be best, elicited the admiration and respect of even those who opposed him. While he was still an active factor in the world's work a local paper in 1880 wrote of him: "Here we have a man, straight as an arrow, except that his head drops a little forward, as is usually the case with hard thinkers, with a good form, which is always clothed with good taste. He has black hair and whiskers, what would be termed a good face, steps not hastily, but more rapid than the average of men, and wears a countenance which never undergoes marked changes, either when the heart is sad or filled with joy. His full, high forehead indicates a goodly share of brain and the fibre of his general make-up shows solidity and force. Seemingly he possesses that greatest of all powers, complete control over himself. He is a man who never undertakes to accomplish anything without due deliberation and once he becomes enlisted, his face never turns back until success crowns his efforts. If one path does not lead to the accomplishment of his purpose, no one would know, by look or word, that he was disappointed and another path is taken and followed until it brings his efforts to naught; but that matters not, for he at once takes another and never fails to reach the point for which he started out. Whenever the people of Toledo have a public enterprise on foot which requires judgment, industry and untiring perseverance for its success, the first man they seek to enlist is H. P. Platt, Esquire, and when he takes hold, all feel that success is assured. He is a great admirer of fine horse flesh and generally keeps a good supply of first-class travelers for himself and personal friends. Always polite, pleasant, agreeable, and communicative, yet he is always remarkably cool and seemingly keeps all conflicting elements of his character in complete subjection. He is not a cold-blooded, but a cool-headed man —that is, a man who knows and controls himself—a trait of character which gives him great advantage over his fellows, especially those who sometimes permit impulse and passion to get the better of their judgments. Few want to antagonize him, feeling that his coolness, mental resources, indomitable energy and untiring perseverance will in the end give him the victory. He seldom attempts to make a public speech, but his persuasive powers in private conversation, his industry in finding and talking with men, his ability as a manager and his knowledge of men, make him recognized as a power, whether as a politician or business man. Men sometimes call him a 'schemer,' but that is more because of his ability to win success in whatever he undertakes, than on account of any of the elements which are properly described by that term. Would that we had more H. P. Platts—more men of his self-control, his great powers of perseverance, and his virtues as man and citizen."

Harvey P. Platt had reached the age of almost eighty-three years when he passed away on the 4th of June, 1910. He had remained an interested observer

of public events to the last and a real worker in the world. A number of years before he had retired from the practice of law and had in considerable measure given over the management of his important and extensive real estate holdings but he was actively concerned in public projects and the general welfare remained with him to the last a matter of vital concern. His contribution to the upbuilding of Toledo was real and valuable and no man was more sincerely conscientious in the performance of his duties of citizenship.

JOHN HOWARD McNERNEY

John Howard McNerney was born in Sandusky, Ohio, December 4, 1892, and is a son of Peter T. and Marie Octavie (Mansuy) McNerney. He received his education in the public and parochial schools of Toledo, to which city his parents had removed in his early youth, and later he attended St. John's University here, being graduated in 1912, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Having prepared for the bar, he received his LL. B. degree and was admitted to practice in the courts of this state in 1916. In the meantime he was awarded the degree of Master of Arts.

Prior to his admission to practice as an attorney, Mr. McNerney was employed as secretary to the late Clarence Brown, then at the head of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau and Williams, one of the foremost law firms in the state. After being admitted to the bar Mr. McNerney engaged in law practice also in their office, and later, when Mr. Brown relinquished his law practice to become president of The Owens Bottle Company, Mr. McNerney also entered the employ of that corporation as secretary to the president. The Owens and associated companies constitute the largest glass industry in the United States and have extensive foreign connections. Following the death of Mr. Brown in 1918, Mr. McNerney remained with the company, of which he is now assistant treasurer and assistant secretary. In addition, he is an instructor in the law department of St. John's University.

On February 12, 1923, Mr. McNerney was married to Miss Marie Eula Norris of Toledo, daughter of the late Martin Lewis Norris and Mary (English) Norris, formerly of Zanesville, Ohio.

HENRY WESTERMAN McKISSON

Henry Westerman McKisson, secretary and treasurer of the Toledo Steel Tube Company, was born in Oil City, Pennsylvania, January 7, 1887, and is a son of John Clay and Catherine (Westerman) McKisson. The father was one of the organizers of the American Metal Wheel Company and is now living retired at Toledo. There were no unusual phases in the youthful experience of Henry Westerman McKisson and his business career represents the steady unfolding and development of his powers. His eyes have ever been open to the door of opportunity and his will responsive to the chances offered in business life. He is today one of the officials of the Toledo Steel Tube Company, which was incorporated in 1914 with a capitalization of one hundred thousand dollars. The com-

pany has a building three hundred by twenty feet and enploys one hundred workmen in the manufacture of welded steel tubes. The officers of this company are: George L. Freeman, president; M. W. Young, Rathbun Fuller and J. C. McKisson, vice presidents; H. W. McKisson, secretary and treasurer; and J. O. Eddy. The product is manufactured mostly for automobiles and bicycles and the business has now reached extensive and profitable proportions.

H. W. McKisson was united in marriage on the 5th of January, 1915, to Miss Dorothy W. Freeman, a native of Toledo, and a daughter of George L. and Mary G. (West) Freeman. Mr. and Mrs. McKisson have become parents of three sons: Henry Westerman, Jr., John Clay and George Freeman. Mr. McKisson turns to golf, fishing and hunting for recreation. He is a member of the Toledo Club and the Toledo Country Club and his personal qualities are such as make for popularity in the social circles in which he moves. He is also well known as a representative young business man and his progressive spirit is widely recognized by those with whom he has been brought into contact.

GEORGE L. FREEMAN

Among the Toledoans who have very materially assisted in the present-day growth and development of the city and at the same time have built up a splendid business enterprise through their own efforts, is numbered George L. Freeman, the president of the Kelsey & Freeman Lumber Company, conducting an extensive business as dealers in and manufacturers of lumber and as owners of a planing mill devoted to the manufacture of sash, doors and blinds. This is one of the largest concerns of the kind in the state and has been developed through the diligence and determination of Mr. Freeman and his associate officers. His life story is of interest because of his successful achievements. Born in Toledo on the 18th of May, 1859, he is a son of Sanford W. and Alida (Printup) Freeman. The father, a native of Burlington, Vermont, came to Toledo in 1835, when it was a little hamlet giving little indication of the changes which were soon to be wrought. He immediately became a leader in the community and served for many years as a member of the city council, instituting a number of the valuable public measures which were passed and promoting many of the public improvements that were made. He afterward became vice president of the Toledo Pump Company and was active in connection with the operation of that enterprise until he removed to Alabama, where he became identified with the yellow pine lumber industry. In the later years of his life he lived retired, passing away in Toledo in 1904, at the venerable age of eighty-three years. His wife, who was born at Fonda, New York, came to Toledo in 1837 with her father, Andrew Printup, and in 1850 she became the wife of Mr. Freeman. She passed away in 1889, at the age of sixty-three years. There were four children in the family, two of whom died in infancy, while those who survive are: George L., of this review; and Mrs. Eva Hart, residing in Athens, Georgia.

George L. Freeman attended the grade schools of Toledo and afterward the Central high school, from which he was graduated in 1877. He then started out in the business world, working first for the old Summit Street Railway Company, while later he entered the employment of Barber & Starr, lumber dealers, with whom he continued until April, 1886. At that date he became associated with the

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late H. Reeve Kelsey, as successors to Kelsey-Lawton and Company, their interests being carried on under the firm style of Kelsey & Freeman.

The business was established in 1856 by Aaron L. Kelsey and Nathan Reeve, the first named being active in its affairs until 1886, when he retired, at which time Mr. Freeman became a partner. Mr. H. Reeve Kelsey died in 1917, and in 1918 the business was reorganized as The Kelsey & Freeman Lumber Company, Mr. Freeman becoming president of the corporation. At the present time The Kelsey & Freeman Lumber Company is operating the largest business enterprise of this kind in northwestern Ohio. Not only do they handle lumber, but also operate a planing mill in the manufacture of sash, doors and blinds, and they handle all kinds of building materials and builders' supplies. They have a large branch yard at Indiana avenue and the Michigan Central tracks, and a large dock for sea going vessels. This has been built recently to meet the ever-increasing demands for the products which they handle and their lumber trade is one of extensive proportions. Mr. Freeman is also the president of the Toledo Steel Tube Company; is a director and member of the executive committee of the Toledo Travelers Life Insurance Company, which he helped to organize; and occupies a foremost position in the business circles of the city.

On the 5th of December, 1888, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Freeman and Miss Mary J. West of Toledo, daughter of Charles West. They have become parents of two children: Dorothy W., the wife of Henry W. McKisson, and their three children are, Henry Westerman, Jr., John Clay and George Freeman McKisson; and George L., Jr., who completed his education at the Manlius Military Academy, Manlius, New York, and is now connected with The Kelsey & Freeman Lumber Company. Mr. Freeman is a member of the Toledo Club and of the Toledo Country Club. Fraternally he is connected with Sanford L. Collins Lodge, F. & A. M. His religious faith is indicated in his connection with Trinity Episcopal church, in which he is serving as a vestryman, and in political belief he is a republican. His aid and influence have ever been factors on the side of right and progress and he has labored as diligently and as effectively to promote the public welfare as to advance his individual fortune. He has never failed to respond to the call of opportunity and has passed on to the place of successful achievement. A mammoth business enterprise is now under the control of himself and his fellow officers of the lumber company and it is the measure of his activity, enterprise and progressive spirit. Mr. Freeman's residence is at No. 2228 Robinwood avenue.

SEAVEY Y. BRIGHAM

Seavey Y. Brigham, a native son of Toledo and a member of one of its old families, is prominently connected with the automobile industry, being secretary and treasurer of the S. Y. Brigham Motor Company, agents for the Durant and Star cars. He was born October 3, 1883, and his parents were George Mavor and Kate Elizabeth (McCormick) Brigham, the former a native of Toledo and the latter of Monroe, Michigan. In this city the father was reared, educated and married and here he spent his life, passing away on the 21st of March, 1907. He was a prominent and highly respected business man and was connected with the

Western Union Telegraph Company and the Toledo Heating & Lighting Company. The mother is still a resident of this city.

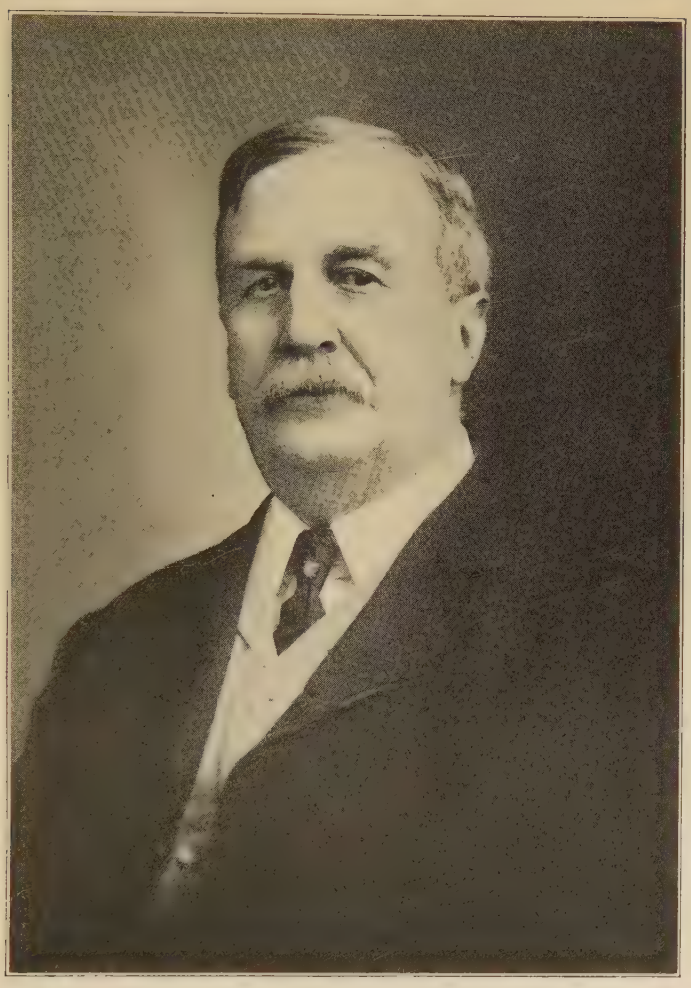
Seavey Y. Brigham, their only child, acquired his education in his native city and was graduated from high school in 1902, after which he attended the Polytechnic school. His initial business experience was obtained with the Patent Lime Process Manufacturing Company, with which he remained for three years, and he then became connected with the lumber industry, as treasurer of an independent enterprise for four years. On the expiration of that period he joined the Yaryan Naval Stores Company of Gulfport, Mississippi, as secretary and treasurer and was identified with that firm for five years, afterward returning to Toledo. In 1917 he organized the S. Y. Brigham Motor Company, of which he is now secretary and treasurer, and was the Hupmobile agent in this city. On the 1st of January, 1922, he secured the agency for the Durant "4" in northwestern Ohio and southern Michigan and is selling one of the leading automobiles on the market today. He is a very successful salesman and his aggressive methods and thorough understanding of the business in which he is engaged have enabled him to build up one of the leading automobile agencies in the city.

At Bradford, Pennsylvania, on the 18th of October, 1913, Mr. Brigham was married to Mrs. Leonore Dunham Madison, a daughter of Sherman and Emogene Dunham, well known residents of that place, and they have become the parents of a son, Anthony, who was born in Gulfport, Mississippi, and is now attending the Waite high school of Toledo. Mr. Brigham gives his policital support to the republican party and he is a member of the Country Club, the Toledo Yacht Club and the Toledo Commerce Club. He is alert, energetic and progressive in the conduct of his interests and his well-directed efforts have resulted in the attainment of a gratifying measure of success, while his genuine personal worth has won for him the unqualified respect and esteem of a large circle of friends.

THOMAS JEFFERSON WATSON

Business duties and opportunities brought Thomas Jefferson Watson to Toledo, where he arrived in April, 1890, as representative of the Craig Oil Company. For a considerable period he was connected with refining and oil interests and in later years became prominently associated with financial affairs and other business concerns here. Moreover, he became an integral part in the social life of the city and in its moral development, as well as in its material progress, and when he passed away Toledo recorded the loss of one of her representative residents.

Mr. Watson was born near Carrollton, Ohio, January 26, 1842, and his death occurred May 5, 1915, when he was seventy-three years of age. He attended the district schools and soon after the outbreak of the Civil war he enlisted as a private, joining the Third Independent Battery of Ohio Light Artillery, with which he served until the close of the war. He was in a number of hotly contested engagements and went with Sherman on the celebrated march from Atlanta to the sea. After the war his first business venture was in the establishment and conduct of a grocery and general store at Smiths Ferry, Ohio, and it was at this place that he first turned his attention to the oil business, building a refinery there. The success of this enterprise attracted the attention of the Standard Oil Company who purchased the business. Following ten years' experience along that line he went to



THOMAS J. WATSON

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he remained an active factor in connection with the oil industry, operating in the Pittsburgh Oil Exchange. His identification with the development of the oil business of northwestern Ohio dates from April, 1890, when he came to Toledo as representative of the Craig Oil Company, being a personal friend of Mr. Joseph W. Craig. Mr. Watson became manager and director of the company here, they erecting a refinery in 1891. Later he became vice president of the corporation and so continued until his death. He first located at Ironville, on the east side, and after a year and a half he brought his family to Toledo, which at that time was still very much of a muddy town, backward in its development, for the wonderful natural advantages of geographical location and resources had not become well known to the world as yet. While he contributed in substantial measure to the successful management of the interests of the Craig Oil Company, he also extended his efforts in other fields, becoming identified with a number of the city's prominent business interests. He made for himself a creditable place in financial circles as vice president and one of the directors of the Ohio Savings Bank and other corporations also profited by his business sagacity and enterprise.

Mr. Watson was married at Allegheny, Pennsylvania, to Miss Kathryn Kirkpatrick, a daughter of John and Margaret (Beatty) Kirkpatrick, the former a business man of Pittsburgh. Four children were born of this marriage: Nellie, now the wife of Jay Armstrong of Chicago; Mrs. Maud Richards; Mary, the wife of Oliver Snell of Toledo; and Kathryn, now the wife of Samuel Watson of Cleveland.

Mr. Watson at one time was a member of the Pittsburgh Oil Exchange and was widely and prominently known among the oil men of the country. He belonged to the Duquesne Club of Pittsburgh and also to the Pittsburgh Club, while in Toledo he held membership in the Toledo Club and the Country Club. However, it was in his own home that his happiest hours were spent and to the interests of his family he devoted all of his time practically outside of business. He was an ideal husband and father, finding his greatest joy in promoting the welfare and comfort of those of his own household. His entire life was actuated by his Christian faith as a member of the First Congregational church, in which he served as a trustee.

GOTTFRIED HAPP

The laws of business are as inflexible and the results as certain as in science. There are no secret processes of manipulation where success may be brought to the individual. It depends in every instance upon labor. The record of Gottfried Happ, whose life from boyhood has been one of unremitting industry, is another proof of this fact. He is concentrating his attention upon the wool and hides business and is controlling one of the oldest and most important enterprises of this character in the city. A native of Europe, he was born November 13, 1855, and his parents were Gottfried and Madeline (Bowman) Happ. They were also of foreign birth and always remained residents of Europe, the father devoting his energies to the manufacture of carriages.

The son, Gottfried Happ, acquired his education in his native land, attending the public schools, while he also had the benefit of college training. Led by the spirit of adventure, he sought the opportunities offered in a new and rapidly de-

veloping country and after reaching the United States he made his way to Michigan, acquiring a knowledge of the English language in a school near Flint. He then obtained work in a tannery at Owosso, that state, and later went to Saginaw, Michigan, securing employment with the firm of F. W. Carlyle & Company. He remained in their service for seventeen years, during which period he gained a comprehensive knowledge of the tanner's trade, and then tendered his resignation, accepting the position of buyer for the firm of Obern Husick & Company of Chicago, Illinois, dealers in furs, hides, wool and tallow. As their representative he traveled all over the west collecting furs and hides, but at the end of two years left their employ to enter the business in partnership with G. A. Haag. The firm of Haag & Happ was successfully operated for eight years and at the end of that time the subject of this review purchased his deceased partner's interest and has since conducted the business under the style of the G. Happ & Son Company. They deal in hides, pelts, wool, furs, tallow and cracklings and theirs is now the oldest, largest and most reliable house of this nature in this section of the state. Broad experience and close study have given Mr. Happ an expert knowledge of the business in which he is engaged and his ability, enterprise and executive powers have enabled him to build up an undertaking of large proportions.

In Saginaw, Michigan, on the 22d of April, 1876, Mr. Happ was united in marriage to Miss Virginia Bellmeir, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bellmeir, and they have become the parents of three children: The eldest, George, died when but four years of age; Arthur W. Happ, the second son, was born in Saginaw, Michigan, and was killed in an automobile accident in Toledo in 1916. Carl J. Happ, the youngest in the family, was born in Saginaw in 1882, attended the public schools of Toledo, and is now associated with his father in business. He married Miss Josie Kolbo of Toledo, and they have three children, Edward, John and Gertrude.

In politics Mr. Happ votes independently at local elections, but when national issues are at stake he casts his ballot in favor of the candidates of the republican party. He is a Lutheran in religious faith and his public spirit is indicated by his membership with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He has attained success by strict integrity, the conscientious discharge of all obligations and unremitting attention to an industry in which he is greatly interested. His initiative spirit and powers of organization have enabled him to develop an undertaking of large proportions and the consensus of public opinion names him with Toledo's leading business men and most highly respected citizens.

AUGUST HERMAN KEMPER

August Herman Kemper of Toledo is a well known figure in connection with the lumber business of the country, occupying the position of third vice president of the National Retail Lumber Dealers Association. This distinction has come to him as a well-merited honor, for he has worked his way steadily upward since starting out in the business world empty-handed when a youth of fifteen. Throughout the period he has been connected with the lumber business and there is no phase of the trade with which he is not thoroughly and consistently familiar. Mr. Kemper was born in Cleveland, Ohio, on the 14th of September, 1879, his parents

being Frederick and Marie (Rueter) Kemper. The father was a tight barrel cooper, devoting his life to that kind of business.

Public and parochial schools accorded August H. Kemper his educational opportunities. The financial resources of his family seemed to make it imperative that he provide for his own support in his youthful days and at the age of fifteen he secured a position in the old Van Cleve Glass Company, a sash and door jobbing establishment. At the outset of his career he realized the fact that industry wins and he has always assiduously cultivated that quality. Step by step he won advancement as the result of his close application and diligence and each forward step in his career has brought him a broader outlook and wider opportunities. Today he is in a commanding position as one of the prominent lumbermen of Toledo. He came to this city in 1915 as treasurer and general manager of the Toledo Lumber & Mill Work Company and through the intervening period of seven years has remained in the dual position. He has brought wide knowledge and valuable practical experience to bear in the prosecution of the duties of his office and as general manager he has so directed the affairs of the company as to produce maximum results with a minimum expenditure of time, labor and material—which is the real secret of success in any line of manufacture. Mr. Kemper has become widely and prominently known in lumber trade circles not only in Toledo and the state but in other sections of the country, and appreciation of his capability in his chosen field was manifest in his election to the third vice presidency of the National Retail Lumber Dealers Association.

On the 20th of June, 1903, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Kemper and Miss Kathryn Cantlon of Defiance, Ohio, and their marriage has been blessed with three children: John August Cantlon, Robert Frederick and Thomas William. The religious faith of the family is that of the Presbyterian church and fraternally Mr. Kemper is a member of Tu-en-da-wie Lodge, No. 195, F. & A. M.; Ensawocsa Chapter, No. 89, R. A. M.; Occonoxee Council, No. 55, R. & S. M.; and Defiance Commandery, No. 30, Knights Templars, of which he is a past commander; all are of Defiance, Ohio. He is also a member of Toledo Consistory and a Noble of Zenobia Temple, Mystic Shrine. He also has membership with the United Commercial Travelers, with the Lumbermen's Club and the Commerce Club. Alert and progressive, he is ready for any emergency, for any duty and for any opportunity, and with the continued expansion of his business affairs he has also developed a character that commands respect and regard wherever he is known. His residence is at No. 2336 Putnam street.

FRANK M. SALA

Frank M. Sala, a well known and representative member of the Toledo bar, was born in Minerva, Ohio, February 14, 1863, his parents being Benjamin and Theisbe (McDaniel) Sala. The father was a veteran of the Civil war, having served with the Union army throughout the conflict between the north and the south.

Frank M. Sala obtained his early education in the public schools of Knox county, Ohio, and afterward attended the public schools of Toledo. Reviewing the broad field of business with its limitless opportunities along industrial, commercial and professional lines, he determined upon the law as his life work and studied

with the firm of Ritchie, Howe & Ritchie of this city. He was admitted to practice in 1885 and afterward filled the office of assistant prosecuting attorney of Lucas county, while in 1901 and 1902 he was police judge of Toledo. He practiced in partnership with Judge Ritchie as junior member of the firm of Ritchie & Sala, but at the end of a year this connection was discontinued and Mr. Sala now follows his profession independently. He is a lawyer of ability, thorough and accurate in the preparation of his cases, clear and cogent in his reasoning and logical in his deductions. The court records bear testimony to many favorable verdicts which he has won and which establish his position as a most capable and representative member of the bar of this city.

On the 23d of October, 1885, in Oil City, Pennsylvania, Mr. Sala was united in marriage to Miss Adda LaVerna Collins and they have become parents of three children: Rose B., Earl V. and Errett M. Mr. Sala belongs to the Elks, while along strictly professional lines he is identified with the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations. In a profession where advancement depends entirely upon individual merit and ability he has worked his way steadily upward and his record is a most commendable one.

FREDERICK LYMAN GEDDES

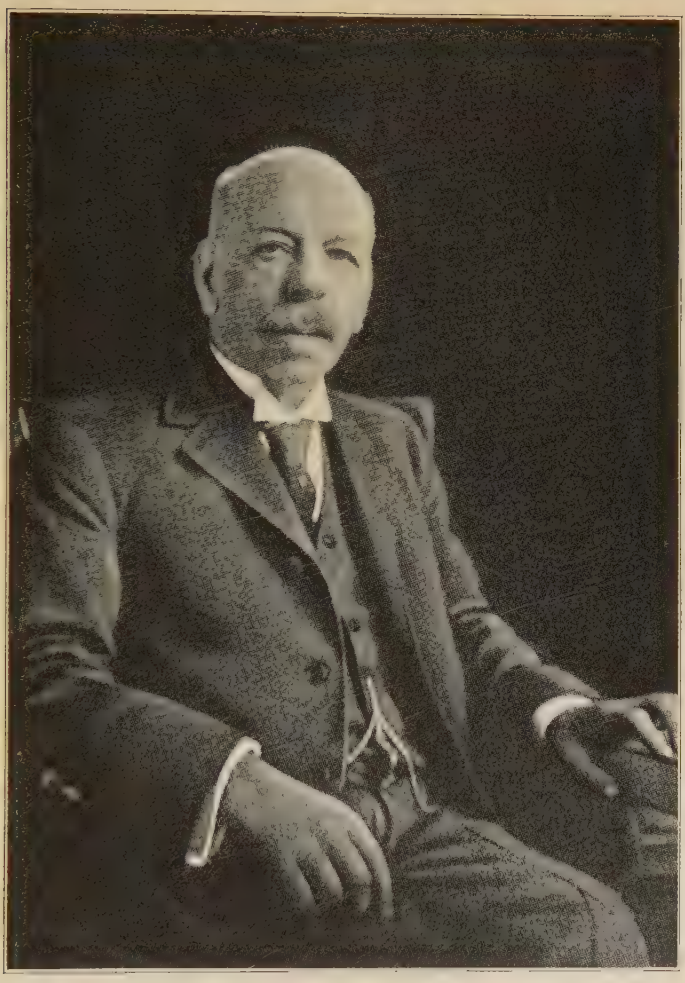
Frederick Lyman Geddes, senior member of the firm of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams, corporation lawyers, was born at Adrian, Michigan, November 10, 1850, his parents being Norman and Laura (Casey) Geddes, the father an attorney and for nine years probate judge of Lenawee county.

The Geddes family is Celtic, traditionally originating in Brittany, thence emigrating into Normandy and, early in the eleventh century, into Great Britain, one branch later settling in Morayshire, Scotland, whence, in the seventeenth century, Paul emigrated to the north of Ireland. His son James, Norman's great-grandfather, came with his family to America in 1752, settling near the site of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Thomas Casey, Frederick's maternal great-great-great-great- grandfather, by tradition was the sole survivor of his family, all other members of which were destroyed in the "Irish Massacre." He was saved by his nurse and taken to relations in Gloucestershire, England, whence he emigrated to America, settling in 1658 in Newport, Rhode Island.

Frederick L. Geddes graduated from the Adrian high school in 1868, and from the University of Michigan, with the Bachelor of Arts degree, in 1872. In 1875 he received the Master of Arts degree. He was admitted to the bar in Michigan in March, and in Ohio in April, 1875, immediately thereafter beginning practice in Toledo, with his university classmate, Barton Smith, a partnership which continued six years.

In 1882 he and the late Clarence Brown entered into a partnership which continued until the death of Mr. Brown in 1918, prior to which time others had been admitted into the firm, the title of which then was Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams, a title which has, with Mrs. Brown's consent, been continued. The partners now are six in number.

During the past twenty-five years Mr. Geddes has been almost exclusively engaged in the organization and conduct of corporations. He was the organizer and is a director of The Toledo Glass Company, The Owens Bottle Company, The



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Owens European Bottle-Machine Company and The Kent-Owens Machine Company. He is also a director of the Northern National Bank of Toledo, Toledo Scale Company (vice president), The Title Guarantee and Trust Company and The Walter S. Miller Company, and a trustee of the Toledo Museum of Art.

He married, December 24, 1879, Kate Adele, daughter of James and Sarah L. (Bottum) Rosebrugh of Amboy, Illinois. To Mr. and Mrs. Geddes have been born five children, three of whom reside in Toledo: Paul Rosebrugh, a realtor; Laura Casey, A. B., Smith College, 1907, now Mrs. Walter Siegrist Miller; and Katharine R. The others are: Florence D., A. B., Smith, 1913, now Mrs. John U. Loomis of Omaha, Nebraska; and Donald F., A. B., Williams, 1916, who, an Ensign, U. S. N. R. F., died January 30, 1919, while in the naval service.

Mr. Geddes is a member of the Alpha Delta Phi and the Phi Delta Phi; is a Mason of the thirty-third degree, was grand commander of the Knights Templars of Ohio in 1906, and for several years has been chairman of the jurisprudence committee of the Grand Commandery; is a member of the Toledo, Toledo Commerce, Toledo Transportation and Country clubs of Toledo; of the Dome Lake Club in Wyoming; and of the Lucas County, Ohio State, American Bar and International Law associations.

The family residence is at No. 2116 Parkwood avenue, Toledo. They have a winter shack at Glenwood, Florida, and a summer cabin at the Dome Lake Club, high in the Big Horn Mountains of northern Wyoming.

ARTHUR W. RYAN

Though one of the younger representatives of the Toledo bar, Arthur W. Ryan has already attained a position which many an older member of the profession might well envy and the success he has achieved indicates that his future career will be well worth watching. He was born in Saginaw, Michigan, August 23, 1893, his parents being William and Mary (Tuhy) Ryan, who were likewise natives of Saginaw, where they resided for many years, removing to Toledo in 1897. While in Michigan the father was actively identified with the lumber industry and continues in the same line of business, being now president of the West Toledo Lumber Company. He and his wife reside at No. 366 West Central avenue. They have reared a family of four children: Arthur W., Harold T., Genevieve and Gerald, all residing in Toledo.

In the acquirement of his education Arthur W. Ryan attended the St. Francis de Sales parochial school and the high school, from which he was graduated with the class of 1911. He then entered Notre Dame University for the study of law and completed his course in the latter institution in 1914. Immediately afterward he returned to Toledo, where he entered upon active practice in the following December and since that date has been an earnest and zealous member of the profession. He belongs to the Toledo Bar Association and his fellow members of the profession entertain for him warm regard. He is a director of the West Toledo Lumber Company but confines his attention mainly to his law practice.

In religious faith Mr. Ryan is a Catholic, being a communicant of the Cathedral chapel and he is also a third degree Knight of Columbus. He likewise belongs to the Young Men's Christian Association and to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and he has membership in the American Legion. During the World

war he enlisted in the air service and was commissioned a second lieutenant, being stationed first in Texas and later in Maryland. He advanced from the ground service to the flying squadron and was discharged in January, 1919. Since that date he has concentrated his attention upon his law practice.

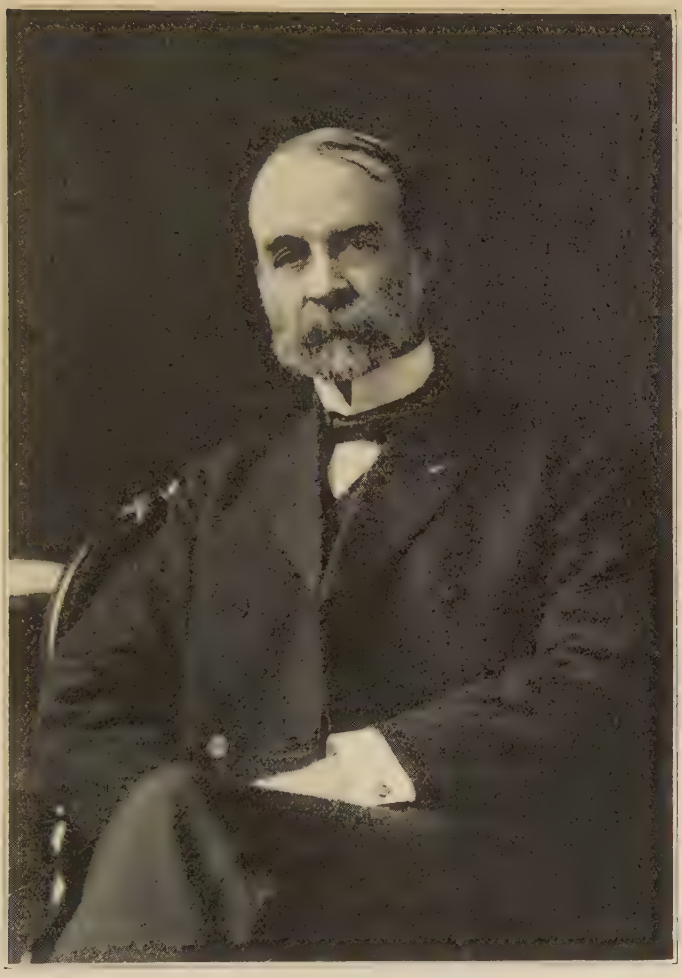
EMERY DAVIS POTTER

It is doubtful if there is another member of the Toledo bar who has been so long identified with active practice in this city and the record of none is more deserving of respect and honor than that of Emery D. Potter, for at all times his course has upheld the highest ethical standards of the profession and has at the same time been the expression of the utmost devotion to the interests of his clients.

Emery Davis Potter was born in Willoughby, Lake county, Ohio, on the 27th of November, 1844, his father being Judge Emery D. Potter, who was one of the early representatives of the bar in northwestern Ohio and the first lawyer to hang out his shingle in the city of Toledo. An extended mention of Judge Potter appears elsewhere in this work.

Emery D. Potter was reared in Toledo, pursued his education in the schools of this city and was a youth of but seventeen years when in May, 1862, he responded to the country's call for troops to aid in the preservation of the Union and joined Company A, Eighty-fourth Ohio Infantry, with which he served for three months and twenty-two days, responding to President Lincoln's second call for three months' troops. He is, with but a single exception, the youngest living veteran of the Civil war in Lucas county. In the fall of 1862 he became a law student in the University of Michigan and completed his course as a member of the class of 1864. His initial professional experience came to him through association with Morrison R. and R. Waite, who further directed his readings and professional activities until his admission to the bar at Columbus, Ohio, in December, 1865. An interesting event in Mr. Potter's professional career was that his distinguished preceptor, Morrison R. Waite, assisted him at the last trial in which Mr. Waite ever appeared as an attorney. An unusual coincidence in this connection was that the first trial in which Morrison R. Waite ever appeared as an attorney, was in the old court house at Maumee and Mr. Potter's father was the presiding judge. He at once opened an office in Toledo, where later he practiced for ten years in partnership with Hon. George R. Haynes. He was afterward associated with Thomas Emery of Williams county, Ohio, and eventually became a partner of Charles P. Carroll as senior member of the firm of Potter & Carroll. Mr. Potter has during his almost fifty years of practice, enjoyed a most important and desirable clientele. He was for nearly twenty-five years attorney for the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad, in charge of the litigation arising in the counties of Lucas, Williams, Wood, Fulton and Sandusky, while for forty-five years he has been attorney for the Michigan Central Railroad.

Mr. Potter was also prominent in the building of the Toledo & State Line Railroad and for twenty-five years he served on the City Park Board, of which he was president several years. Mr. Potter's service on the Park Board was during the period when the following parks were purchased and laid out: Walbridge park, Ottawa park, Central avenue now Willys park, Riverside park, Bay View park, Collins park, and Navarre park. He was one of the trustees of the Public Library



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for more than twenty years and was one of the prime movers, cooperating with William Beatty, secretary of the library board and a representative in the state legislature, in securing the legislation that made possible the erection of the present Public Library building. His endorsement and support have been given to every public enterprise of worth and his aid and influence have been a potent force in advancing those interests which are a matter of civic virtue and of civic pride. Politically he has always been a democrat but never an office seeker. Coming from sturdy New England ancestry, Mr. Potter is a remarkably well preserved man with the mental and physical activity of one many years his junior. His time and attention have been concentrated upon his professional interests and throughout his long and active career he has never deviated from a course which he has believed to be right between himself and his fellowmen, and one that has dignified his profession.

JOHN WILLIAM LILLY, M. D.

Dr. John William Lilly, a widely known physician of Toledo and an artist of ability, which enabled him to illustrate a number of medical works, contributing in this manner to the value of professional work, was born in Circleville, Ohio, April 20, 1853, and was a son of Dr. William Rowland and Mary Ellen (Robbins) Lilly, the former a practicing dentist of Circleville. In the acquirement of his education the son attended the public schools of his native city until he had completed the high school course and later he studied both art and medicine in Cincinnati, pursuing the former course under the direction of Miss Nourse, a well known artist of that day. Going to Columbus, he there entered the Starling Medical College and was prize man of his class, winning a prize on his thesis on skin diseases, notwithstanding the fact that he was one of the youngest members of the class. He had forty illustrated phases of skin diseases and his paper is now on record at Starling College. In four of his studies he made the highest record of any member of his class and was graduated at Columbus in 1882. His high professional standing as a student was followed by steady progress in practice, resulting from the constant expansion of his powers.

John William Lilly first located in Circleville, where he remained for two years, engaged in active practice in partnership with Dr. Courtright. He then went to Pomeroy, on the Ohio river, where he remained for three years and on the expiration of that period came to Toledo, where he continued in active practice until his death, save that he occasionally made trips to New York city, where he attended clinics and did considerable postgraduate work.

At Chillicothe, Ohio, in 1883, Dr. Lilly was married to Miss Emma McIntire, a daughter of Jerome D. and Jane (Baldwin) McIntire, the former a real estate dealer of Chillicothe. They became the parents of a son, Jerome John Lilly, who is an artist of pronounced ability. He was educated in the public schools of Toledo, pursuing his academic course in St. John's College and later attending Oberlin College, where he studied art and the natural sciences. He afterward became a student in the Pratt Art School in New York and he also continued his art studies under private tutors. He likewise attended the art academy at Cincinnati, where he was a student under Duveneck, Wessel and Meakin. At the time of America's entrance into the World war he was teacher of drawing and painting in the Carlisle Indian Industrial School at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, having

charge of the art department, which, however, was abandoned during the war. He enlisted and went to Camp Sherman with the Medical Corps and was still there when the armistice was signed. Since then he has remained at home with his mother, devoting his attention to commercial art, with his studio at their residence, at 239 Broadway.

Dr. Lilly was one of the volunteer members of the Medical Corps of America and served in this capacity during the connection of his country with the world strife. His political allegiance was usually given to the republican party, but he frequently cast an independent ballot if his judgment dictated that course as beneficial to the best interests of the community. For twenty-two years he was a consistent member of the First Congregational church of Toledo and he held membership with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and was examining physician for the Knights of the Maccabees. When the National Union was organized he became a charter member of Paragon Council and he also became a charter member of America Tent of the Maccabees, acting as examining surgeon for both organizations. At one time he was a member of the Medical Academy of Toledo. His death occurred as the result of mitral stenosis, a form of heart disease, on the 25th of May, 1922, and was the occasion of deep regret throughout Toledo. His remains were interred at Circleville, Ohio. His life was characterized by a liberality to all mankind. He gave generously wherever he saw need and often beyond his means. He could never refuse assistance to any worthy one who desired aid and he never stopped to ask if one who was ill was able to give him pecuniary remuneration for service or not. His practice extended far beyond the confines of the city and he was one of the most widely known physicians of Toledo. His power as an artist enabled him to illustrate a number of medical books, thus greatly advancing their value, and his life work was a decided contribution to the profession which he represented.

JAMES McGETTIGAN

James McGettigan, who was the founder and promoter of the McGettigan Cartage & Storage Company, still one of the forceful factors in the business circles of Toledo, was born at Derry, Ireland, in 1823, and his life record covered the intervening years until he passed away on the 17th of May, 1900, at the age of seventy-seven. He remained a resident of the Emerald isle to the age of twenty-six years, when in 1849 he crossed the Atlantic to try his fortunes in America, hoping to benefit by improved conditions in the new world. He at once made his way to Toledo, where he took up his abode and a little later he visited Philadelphia, where he wedded Miss Jane McMonagle, who had been his schoolmate in the old days in Ireland. With his bride he returned to Toledo, where he established his home that for many years stood on the present site of the wholesale grocery house of Berdan & Company on Huron street. There the family remained for thirty-seven years and the hospitality of that home was greatly enjoyed by their many friends.

Soon after taking up his residence in Toledo, Mr. McGettigan established the business that still is carried on under the name of the McGettigan Cartage & Storage Company. In addition to the transfer business he maintained a large warehouse for the storage of household goods and also was a dealer in draft, coach and speed

horses and was engaged in the manufacture of a colic and fever medicine. With the passing years the business was developed to extensive proportions and with the death of James McGettigan he was succeeded in the ownership of the business by his children, who shared equally therein.

Mr. and Mrs. McGettigan were the parents of five sons and a daughter: James, now deceased; Daniel; John; Edward; Thomas; and Mrs. James Grambling, now deceased, all of whom were born, reared and educated in Toledo. The death of the mother occurred on the 7th of March, 1888. Twelve years later Mr. McGettigan was called to his final rest, at the age of seventy-seven years. He possessed many admirable characteristics, was a man of generous spirit, yet modest and unassuming in disposition. His friends entertained for him the highest respect and confidence. He was reared in the Roman Catholic faith and became a communicant of St. Patrick's church of Toledo, in which his funeral services were held, attended by a multitude of the leading residents of the city. The sons honor their father's memory in that they maintain the same straightforward business principles which he followed, and a splendid portrait of the father hangs in the office of the company.

ELIAS GROSS

Elias Gross, president of the Judd, Gross & Jordan Company of Toledo, was born in Danville, Pennsylvania, on the 23d of October, 1868. He supplemented a public school education by a course in a business college and then started out to provide for his own support as bookkeeper in a wholesale jewelry house. This first acquainted him with the jewelry trade and after gaining considerable knowledge of the business he went on the road as a traveling salesman and was thus employed for twelve years, representing a wholesale jewelry company of Philadelphia. In 1898, however, he put aside business cares to respond to his country's call for military service and enlisted for duty in the Spanish-American war. He joined an infantry regiment and was mustered out on the 28th of October of the same year.

It was on the 2d of November, 1898, that Mr. Gross came to Toledo and entered into active association with the M. Judd Company as manager. Through the intervening period, covering almost a quarter of a century, he has been identified with this business and has advanced steadily in positions of administrative direction and executive control until he is now president of the company, which has been reorganized and incorporated under the name of the Judd, Gross & Jordan Company and has developed a profitable and growing enterprise as jewelers, opticians and watch repairers.

On the 23d of June, 1903, Mr. Gross was married to Miss Leota A. Berry of Van Wert, Ohio. Fraternally he is connected with the Masons and with the Elks. In the former he has attained the Knights Templar degree in the York Rite and the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite, so that he is today a member of the commandery and of the consistory, and he also belongs to the Mystic Shrine. Something of the nature of his recreation is manifest in the fact that he holds membership in the Toledo Yacht Club. He belongs also to the Chamber of Commerce, which is indicative of his interest in the city's welfare and upbuilding, and he maintains pleasant relations with his old army comrades as a member of the Spanish War Veterans. It has been frequently said that what a man does and what he attains depends largely upon his opportunities. This may be true, but there is many a man

who does not possess sufficient courage to venture where favoring opportunity is presented. Mr. Gross has never been lacking in this quality, however, and his judgment and even-paced energy have carried him forward to the goal of success. He has never hesitated to take a forward step when the way was open, and though content with what he attained as he went along, he has ever been ready to make an advance. Fortunate in possessing ability and character that inspire confidence in others, the simple weight of his character and ability has carried him into important relations. He stands today as a splendid type of American manhood and chivalry—a citizen who is willing and ready to perform every duty that comes to him in business and in public connections and who works as willingly and as effectively for the one as for the other.

CLEMENT O. MINIGER

Clement O. Miniger, president of The Electric Auto-Lite Company, is one of Toledo's foremost captains of industry whose various interests and connections are most important factors in the city's industrial, financial and business circles.

Clement O. Miniger was born at North East, Pennsylvania, on the 11th of November, 1874, his parents being Samuel O. and Clementine (Sherman) Miniger, and in both paternal and maternal lines he comes of ancestry that has been distinctively American through many generations.

The removal of the family from Pennsylvania to Ohio enabled Clement O. Miniger to pursue his high school course at Fostoria, this state, and later he took up the study of pharmacy in Chicago, where he remained from 1890 until 1891. In the latter year he came to Toledo and here entered the employ of Walding, Kinnan & Marvin, wholesale druggists, whom he represented upon the road as a traveling salesman for a period of ten years. His first independent venture in business was at coal mining, his operations being carried on at Cambridge, Ohio, with offices in Toledo, and for three years he continued in that field of business. A similar period was devoted to the manufacture of paper boxes and in 1911 he organized The Electric Auto-Lite Corporation, of which he became the secretary and treasurer. On the 1st of January, 1914, John N. Willys associated himself with the corporation and at that time Mr. Miniger was elected president and general manager, which position he held until he purchased the properties from the receiver of the Willys Corporation, and now controls the immense business conducted under the name of The Electric Auto-Lite Company. This Company is one of the strongest and most prosperous of Toledo's industrial organizations and practically stands at the head of the starting, lighting and ignition manufacturing industry in this country, with over six hundred thousand square feet of manufacturing floor space, and building daily more than two thousand five hundred motors, two thousand five hundred generators, two thousand five hundred starting switches, also a similar quantity of both cut-outs and ignition systems, the extent and importance of its operations are readily confirmed.

In addition to the main plant in Toledo, The Electric Auto-Lite Company owns and operates superb modern plants in Fostoria, Ohio, and Poughkeepsie, New York.

Constantly the scope of Mr. Miniger's activities has broadened, and not only

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Toledo but other communities have profited by his labors and his progressive spirit.

He is president and general manager of the United States Light and Heat Corporation of Niagara Falls, New York; president of the Fostoria Machine & Tool Company of Fostoria, Ohio; while in Toledo he is widely known through various business associations, being vice president of the Burt Foundry Company; a director of the Commerce-Guardian Trust & Savings Bank; a director of the Morris Plan Bank; vice president of the Maumee Finishing Company; a director of the Air-Way Electrical Appliance Company; and financially and officially interested in still other business corporations which feature largely in the commercial and industrial development of the city. During the World war he was vice president of The Willys-Overland Company for sixteen months, in charge of production, in addition to performing his duties as then president of The Auto-Lite Corporation.

In 1904 Mr. Miniger was married to Miss Eleanor Couldwell of Toledo, and they have one daughter, Eleanor Clara. Mr. Miniger is a Knights Templar Mason and member of the Mystic Shrine, and is also identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. In the club circles of the city he is widely known, belonging to the Toledo, Inverness, Country, Toledo Yacht and Maumee River Yacht Clubs. His success has given him leisure and opportunity for the enjoyment of such associations and at the same time he remains a most alert and energetic business man, constantly watchful of opportunities for advancement. Where ambition ceases and every ultimate aim is satisfied, satiety follows and inertness bars further progress. Mr. Miniger, however, is intensely alive to the chances that are continually opening up in the business world and in the development of his individual interests he has also made valuable contribution to the progress and prosperity of the communities in which he has operated. Beginning his business career as a boy in his teens, and with energy and ambition his capital, Mr. Miniger has been successful. A native genius for organization and aptitude for successful management have been dominant characteristics in his business affairs, which long since caused him to be recognized as one of the dynamic forces in Toledo's commercial circles.

JOHN J. HUEBNER

John J. Huebner, a Toledo realtor, is president of The Huebner-Cavanaugh Company, a firm that is developing an extensive business. John J. Huebner was born in Toledo, May 1, 1879, and is the son of John and Catharine (Textor) Huebner. He attended the Toledo public schools, after which he entered a business college and received a technical training in business matters.

Mr. Huebner then entered the brewing industry, gradually working through the various departments of the business. After learning the practical part he attended a brewing academy in Chicago, where he completed a technical and scientific course and graduated a master brewer. He then returned to the trade and continued an active factor in the management and control of the Huebner brewing interests until the business was discontinued.

Mr. Huebner organized the Huebner-Cavanaugh Company, realtors and general insurance agents, on the 1st of February, 1921. He is now the president of this company, which already has become well established in business, with a large and growing clientele. His ready adaptability enables him to carry forward to

successful completion whatever he undertakes and his commendable ambition prompts his steady advance in the business world.

On the 12th of June, 1901, Mr. Huebner was married to Miss Louise S. Adams of Toledo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Adams. They have two daughters, Eloise K. and Catherine O., both Scott high school graduates.

Politically Mr. Huebner is a republican. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, having received the York and Scottish Rite degrees in Toledo Consistory; is a Noble of Zenobia Shrine; belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Toledo Real Estate Board, Toledo Chamber of Commerce and is an active member of St. Paul's Lutheran church.

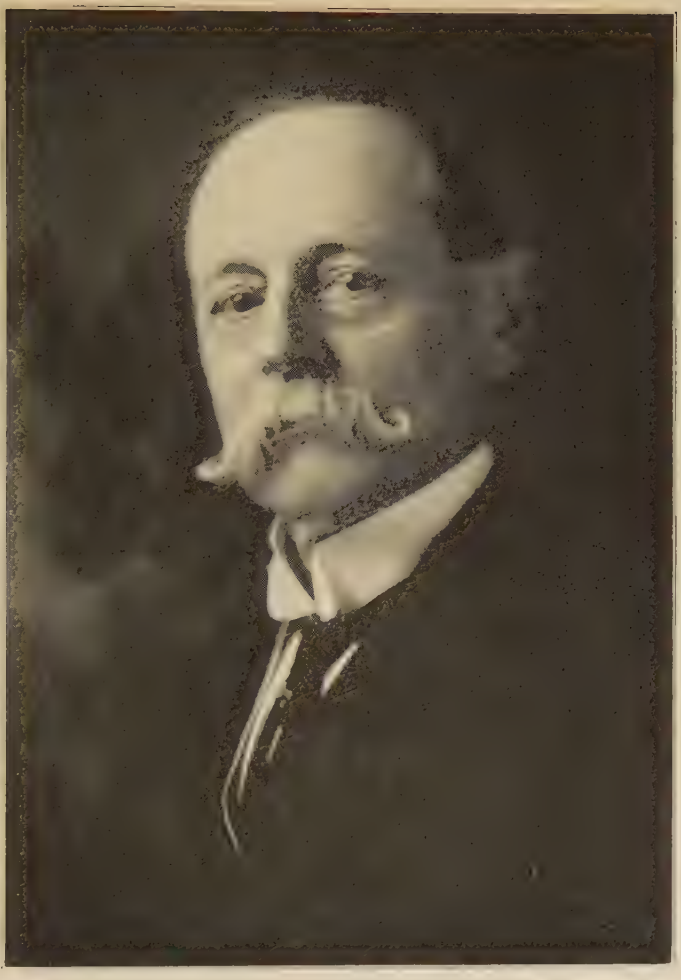
He is keenly interested in all that pertains to the material, social and moral progress of the community and is widely known in this city and vicinity. His residence is at No. 2238 Collingwood avenue.

JETHRO G. MITCHELL

Among the names that stand out conspicuously on the pages of Toledo's commercial history is that of Jethro G. Mitchell, who for many years was at the head of the Mitchell & Rowland Lumber Company, controlling one of the foremost interests of this character in the city. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, a son of Jethro and Martha (Hart) Mitchell, and he completed his education at Hamilton College. Returning to Cincinnati, he became connected with the grain trade, operating elevators under the firm name of Mitchell & Hamilton. Later, however, he removed to Toledo and here was a factor in the lumber industry, becoming connected with the business of Mitchell & Rowland Lumber Company, of which his father was the senior partner. This business was developed to one of vast proportions, constituting one of the most important commercial interests of the city. Their yard was located on the Maumee river, south of the Fassett street bridge, and in 1906 was destroyed by fire, at which time it contained thirty million feet of sawed lumber. The company had large orders at the time and a new mill was immediately rebuilt, Mr. Mitchell caring for this project with his characteristic enterprise and progressiveness. He bore an unassailable reputation as a most reliable and straightforward business man and his integrity as well as his industry constituted a basic element in his growing success, which made him in the course of years one of the prosperous residents of the city. He was also a well known figure in banking circles for some time, serving as president of the Home Savings Bank, and when he resigned that position he was elected to the vice presidency.

In 1867 Mr. Mitchell was united in marriage in Cincinnati to Miss Belle Wheeler, a daughter of Aquilla J. and Julia G. (Tunis) Wheeler, her father a banker in that city. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell became the parents of four children, but all have passed away, namely: Julia, who married Harry Wood; Rowland Jethro; Clifford Wheeler; and Belle. A son of Mrs. Wood is Bryant S. Wood, the vice president of the George B. Ricaby Real Estate Company and a well known figure in realty circles of the city. He married Lois Morton of Toledo and they have two daughters: Mary Belle, who was named in honor of her grandmother, Mrs. Mitchell; and Phyllis.

In matters of citizenship Mr. Mitchell always stood with the most progressive



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element and during the period of the Civil war he served with the Union forces. He was ever a stalwart advocate of republican principles and kept thoroughly informed concerning the vital questions and issues of the day but was never ambitious to fill public office. He belonged to the Toledo Club and was a very prominent member of the Collingwood Presbyterian church, in the work of which he took most active and helpful part. He passed away in that faith on the 31st of January, 1915. At his demise the Home Savings Bank, of which he had been the president and was for the last twelve years of his life first vice president, passed a resolution in which it was said: "He was a man of unusual business capacity, of ripe experience, possessed of a courage to act always upon his convictions; large-hearted, courteous, and of the highest integrity. These qualities made him an unusually safe counselor, and his keen judgment and alertness were of incalculable value to this bank. His associates desire in this manner to give public utterance to their keen sense of loss through his death, and to the fact that their memory of his life will always be an inspiration to the highest and best ideals of personal and official conduct."

The church of which Mr. Mitchell was a member also passed suitable resolutions at the time of his demise, as follows: "In his death our church has lost a gracious personality, whose unusual qualities of mind and heart and whose efficient service to his church and to the community are held in the highest esteem. For thirty-six years he has been closely identified with the history of our church, whose interests and progress have been to him of deep personal concern. At different periods he has served as teacher in the Sunday school, as trustee of the church and as a member of the building committee. In all these relations, by his wise counsel, by his unfailing courtesy, by his generosity and by his firm sense of justice and honor, as well as by his high appreciation of the worth of his associates, he early won, and maintained through life, the genuine admiration and affection of his fellowmen. In all this varied service Mr. Mitchell gave in generous measure of his time, his means and his rare judgment. In the numerous boards and committees on which he had served his well balanced advice was always sought and highly prized." His memory is yet enshrined in the hearts of all who knew him and his record is inseparably interwoven with the history of the commercial development and moral progress of Toledo.

NATHAN NATHAN

Nathan Nathan, a well known figure in connection with the furniture trade of Toledo for many years, was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, May 20, 1872, a son of Samuel and Frances E. (Wineman) Nathan. The father was engaged in the retail clothing business during his active life. The son, who was known as Ned by his family and his many friends, acquired his education in the schools of Cincinnati and of Chicago, the family removing to the latter city during his boyhood days. There he completed his studies and qualified for the responsibilities and activities of later life.

He was a young man of but twenty years when he returned to his native state, settling at Toledo, and through the intervening period until his death was closely associated with the commercial development and activity of the city. He established the business under the name of the People's Outfitting & Furniture Company at

Nos. 220 to 242 Summit street, starting the enterprise on a small scale but possessing courage, determination and energy—which are always salient qualities in the attainment of success. It was not long before his business had outgrown its original quarters and more space was secured, while the stock was greatly increased in volume in order to meet the growing demands of the trade. Year by year the business developed and is now one of the leading furniture enterprises of the city.

On the 14th of March, 1901, Mr. Nathan was united in marriage to Miss May Belle Eppstein, a daughter of Max M. and Belle (Roemer) Eppstein. Her father was a Toledo business man and was a witness of the growth and development of this city from a village to a metropolitan center with all modern improvements and opportunities. Mr. and Mrs. Nathan became the parents of two children: Arthur M., who died young; and Alice Belle.

In his political views Mr. Nathan was a republican, giving stanch endorsement to the party yet never seeking nor desiring office. He belonged to Collingwood Temple, holding to the Jewish faith, and he was a valued member of the Commerce Club, of the Elks Club and the Progress Club. His position in trade circles is indicated by the fact that he was honored with the presidency of the Retail Furniture Men's Association. At all times he was interested in civics and everything pertaining to the advancement of the city and he did his full share in support of any plan or project for the general good. He worked on all drives for whatever beneficial cause was claiming public attention and his influence was a strong factor in winning support for public movements that meant public improvements. It was characteristic of him that he never stopped short of the attainment of his objective. In his later years he suffered from a nervous breakdown and passed away on the 6th of February, 1920. He was a great lover of home and found his keenest joy and comfort at his own fireside. He derived his greatest enjoyment from his success in the fact that it enabled him to provide his family with all of the comforts and many of the luxuries of life.

JOHN EMERSON

For a period of thirty-nine years John Emerson has made his home in Toledo, where he has conducted a profitable and growing business as a hat and cap manufacturer. He is a native of Wales, his birth having occurred at Garndiffaeth on the 31st of January, 1857, his parents being Charles and Mary Ann (Booth) Emerson, who spent their lives in their native country. The son was educated in the old parish schools of Wales and remained a resident of that land until after his marriage. He came in 1883 to the new world and has never had occasion to regret his determination to try his fortune on this side the Atlantic, for here he has found the business opportunities which he sought and in their improvement has gained a place among the men of affluence in his adopted city. He earned his first dollar after coming to the United States by selling life insurance and his laudable ambition prevented his contentment with that occupation and he eagerly embraced the opportunities which have led to his steady advance. Twenty-four years ago he believed that there was an advantageous opening for cap manufacturing in Toledo, where he established business on his own account. He organized the Emerson Cap Company, which was incorporated in 1912 and of which he has

since been the president. The success of the business is due in large part to the worth of his manufactured product and to the thorough reliability of the house.

Mr. Emerson was married to Miss Charlotte Golding, whom he first met in Rhondda Valley, Wales, and they have become parents of three daughters: Anna Maude Mary, who is now the wife of Fred Matthews, the secretary of the Emerson Company; Emily Eva, who is a teacher in the high school of Toledo; and Chrystal Pearl, wife of David Brown, who is a teacher of Spanish in the Toledo schools. Mr. Emerson belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and is interested in all of the activities of that organization for the city's upbuilding and improvement. He likewise belongs to the Masonic fraternity. He has become a Consistory Mason and member of the Mystic Shrine. His membership relations extend to the Royal Arcanum and to the Independent Order of Foresters. He is likewise a member of the Gideons, whose splendid purpose it is to place Bibles in each hotel room of the country. Mr. Emerson is a most active and helpful member of the Epworth Methodist Episcopal church of Toledo, taking active part in the local and state work of the organization and doing everything in his power to extend its influence. His time, attention and efforts are concentrated upon his business and upon his church work and his influence is ever given on the side of progress and improvement as relating to the material, intellectual, social and moral welfare of the community.

DANIEL WALTER BLISS

The automobile industry has played a most important part in the commercial development of Toledo and among those who are contributing to the prestige of the city along this line is numbered D. W. Bliss, who as president of the Bliss Auto Sales Company is conducting one of the most successful agencies in the city. A member of one of the prominent pioneer families of Michigan, he was born at Deerfield, that state, December 18, 1869, his parents being Almon W. and Julia (Armitage) Bliss. The town of Blissfield was named in honor of the paternal great-grandfather, who was the first settler in that portion of Michigan, settling there in 1822. The father's birth also occurred in Blissfield and his active life was devoted to the occupation of farming. Through industry and capable management he gained a substantial competence and is now living retired in Deerfield, Michigan. The mother also survives and their family numbers two children: May E., a resident of Washington, D. C., and D. W.

In the acquirement of an education Daniel Walter Bliss attended the public schools of Deerfield, Michigan, and Brown's Business University at Adrian, that state, from which he was graduated in 1888. He was employed along various lines until 1891, when he came to Toledo and secured a position in the post office. In 1905 he opened a general insurance office in this city and successfully conducted that business until 1916, when he secured the agency for this district for the Ford motor car. He later organized the Bliss Auto Sales Company, of which he has since been the president, and discontinued the Ford line, substituting the Hudson and Essex cars, which he sells in seventeen counties of northwestern Ohio and Lenawee and Hillsdale counties in Michigan. Since its establishment the business has enjoyed a rapid growth and in August, 1919, Mr. Bliss erected a building on one of the most desirable corners of the city, in which his salesrooms are located.

In the management of his business interests he is forceful, energetic and determined and he has succeeded in creating a large demand for the Hudson and Essex cars in the territory which he covers. He is an expert salesman and one of the most aggressive and enterprising automobile dealers in the city.

On the 12th of October, 1892, Mr. Bliss was united in marriage to Miss Myrtle Chase, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lucius A. Chase, prominent residents of this city. Mr. Bliss gives his political allegiance to the republican party and fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Pythias. He is a member of the Auto Trades Association, the National Automobile Dealers Association and the Toledo Automobile Club. Energy is the key which unlocks the portals of success and perseverance constitutes the path which leads to prosperity. Possessing these qualities, Mr. Bliss has become recognized as one of the leading business men of Toledo and his genuine personal worth has drawn to him a large circle of friends. His residence is at No. 336 West Woodruff street.

JULIUS HERMAN JACOBSON, M. D.

In St. Vincent's Hospital there is a tablet fittingly inscribed to the memory and achievements of Dr. Julius Herman Jacobson, eminent physician and surgeon of Toledo. It is the visible evidence of the high position which he held in professional circles and its counterpart might well be placed in many another institution or erected by many another organization that benefited by his high professional attainments. Most of all his memory is cherished in the hearts of those to whom he ministered, of those who knew not only his great intellectual force but his kindly spirit and generous nature. It was his ambition at all times to attain the highest point of efficiency possible, not because he wished to enjoy a reputation beyond that of his fellow practitioners but because he wished to make his service of the greatest possible benefit to his fellowmen.

Dr. Jacobson was born in Toledo, July 18, 1879. His parents were Michael and Hannah Jacobson, natives of Germany, whence they came to Toledo at an early day, the father here engaging in the scrap iron business. The son attended the public schools until graduated from the high school and then entered medical college, for he had determined upon the practice of the profession as his life work. In a memorial volume Dr. John G. Keller, a lifelong friend and personal and professional associate of Dr. Jacobson, said concerning his professional career: "Dr. Julius H. Jacobson graduated from the Toledo Medical College in the spring of 1897, at the age of nineteen. He went to Europe during the fall of 1897 for an extended postgraduate course, covering a period of about eighteen months. During this period he studied in Paris, London, Berlin and especially in Vienna, where he was thoroughly trained in internal medicine and laboratory methods. He returned to Toledo during the spring of 1899 and was shortly afterward appointed physician-in-chief to the Lucas County Hospital, in which capacity he served eleven years. During the autumn of 1899 he was appointed a member of the staff of St. Vincent's Hospital of Toledo, Ohio, and continuously served in the surgical department, and for the past four years as a member of the advisory board of that institution until 1918, when he resigned both as a member of the staff and advisory board. He was a stanch supporter and directed every possible effort towards the advancement of the organization of this hospital, to which he gave freely of his time

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and money; and more recently donated to the new Nurses' Home of St. Vincent's Hospital the well appointed and beautifully equipped library which was named The Hannah Jacobson Library, in honor of his mother. Realizing the importance of his thorough medical training, he was invited to lecture on the subject of physical diagnosis by the faculty of the Toledo Medical College in 1899 and was later made a professor of surgery, which chair he held until the close of the college. Dr. Jacobson became very active throughout the state of Ohio in the general reorganization of the medical profession, which occurred in every part of the United States during the year 1902 and in the year 1903. At the age of twenty-four he was elected the first president of the Academy of Medicine of Toledo and Lucas County, which was organized according to the national plan by merging The Toledo Medical Association and The Lucas County Medical Society. He was also elected, at this time, by The Ohio State Medical Association to serve as its first councilor for the fourth district, which comprises about ten counties in northwestern Ohio. He was elected to this office three times and served six years. He also served as the chairman of the surgical section and was twice elected a member of the board of trustees of the Academy of Medicine of Toledo, which latter office he held at the time of his death. He was president of the Northern Tri-State Medical Association during the last six months of 1917 and the first six months of 1918 and was a member of The Academy of Medicine of Toledo and Lucas County, Northwestern Ohio Medical Association, the Northern Tri-State Medical Association, Ohio State Medical Association, American Medical Association, American Urological Association, American Gynecological Association, and a fellow of The American College of Surgeons; and during the recent war served as a member of The United States Medical Advisory Board in this district. His national acquaintance with surgeons of unquestioned ability was a source of great pleasure to him, and it was his habit to visit them at frequent intervals to exchange ideas, and for the purpose of advancement. Dr. Jacobson again visited the European capitals for the purpose of studying surgery in 1904 and 1913; and was absent from Toledo about five months on each occasion. His contributions to surgical literature during his professional life were numerous and highly respected by the surgical profession and have been freely quoted by writers of note. The contributions to surgery by which he is probably best known are: The Jacobson-Stamm pole ligation operation for exophthalmic goiter; operations for hernia under local anaesthesia, upon which subject he was about to write a monograph; and his extensive work on the subject of cancer. His efforts during the last five years directed towards the establishment of a home for The Academy of Medicine of Toledo and Lucas County, and dedicated to humanity, are well known to his colleagues in this community and are deserving of the highest praise. The attributes which stand out most prominently in the life of Dr. Jacobson are: He was a surgeon of unusual skill and attainments; was charitable to a fault, and an indefatigable worker in the uplift and advancement of the medical profession; a benefactor to the younger members of his profession and an inspiration to all who knew him; a deep thinker, a student of literature, art and music and was extremely devoted to his family. It was his earnest desire to live to see the time when the city of Toledo would realize the necessity for a large and modern non-sectarian hospital. It can truthfully be said that Dr. Julius H. Jacobson lived up to the motto which he had adopted—'Let your light so shine just a little ahead of the next.'—Kipling."

Dr. Jacobson was one of a hundred members of the medical fraternity who were invited to form the American College of Surgeons, thus signifying the esteem in

which he was held by the profession. Not only did St. Vincent's Hospital place a memorial tablet in his honor but the Academy of Medicine had a portrait painted in oil by an English artist to be hung in its rooms as a constant reminder of the valuable contribution which Dr. Jacobson made to the profession.

Dr. Jacobson gave his political allegiance to the republican party, nor did he lightly regard the duties of citizenship but formed his opinions after close investigation into conditions and issues before the public. He was a loyal follower of Masonic teachings and a consistent member of the Collingwood Avenue temple and in the faith of his fathers passed away on the 11th of December, 1918.

Sixteen years earlier Dr. Jacobson was married in Montreal, Canada, on the 22d of July, 1902, to Miss Regina L. Landau of that city, a daughter of Isador and Pauline Landau of Germany, who crossing the Atlantic, settled at Richmond, Virginia, where their daughter Regina was born. There were three children of this marriage: Annette L., Herbert G. and Helen P. Mrs. Jacobson was educated in Montreal, attending the high school and the McGill University, where she pursued a medical course and won the M. D. C. M. degree. She afterward went to Edinburgh, Scotland, where she became a fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, and she also took postgraduate work in Paris, Berlin and in other noted medical centers of Europe. She then returned to Montreal, where she practiced in connection with the medical relief work in the settlements. When the Woman's Club was formed in Montreal she became one of its first members. She was a pioneer in her advocacy of higher education for women and she was early identified with club movements and everything that meant progress and advancement for womankind. She belongs to the Council of Jewish Women, was a member of the Montreal Medical Society and also a member of Temple Emanuel. After coming to Toledo she gave up the practice of medicine but continued her good work along many lines. She is a member of the Toledo Woman's Club and a member of the Council of Jewish Women, of which she is president. She is also a member of the Educational Club and of the Agnes Morris Shakespeare class. She is serving on the city board of the Federation of Women's Clubs, is a member of the Social Hygiene Council, a member of the Sisterhood of the Collingwood Avenue temple, a member of the Americanization Board and also a member of the Toledo City Club, a new organization. Although not actively identified with the medical profession any longer, she has not lost her interest therein and is chairman of the health education committee of the Federation of Women's Clubs. On December 2, 1922, Mrs. Regina Landau Jacobson became the wife of Dr. I. H. Lewkowicz of Youngstown, Ohio.

Most beautiful and merited were the tributes that were paid to Dr. Jacobson from men and women in every walk and station in life. He held the love and confidence of young and old, rich and poor. Alfred B. Koch said of him: "The demise of Julius Jacobson caused a great loss in the community in which he lived. He was a moral factor, he was a moral force in the city of Toledo. He believed in the golden rule of helping others to help themselves and it shall go down as part of the medical history of Toledo that Julius Jacobson was responsible for the start that was given to many of the young doctors. He always held out a helping hand to them and by his counsel taught them the way to the goal which he himself had achieved. In doing this for the medical profession he had a vision—he saw across the stream and knew that in a growing community someone must help to provide that community with the proper medical background. He was a cultured gentleman—a man who saw something beautiful in the everyday walk of life. To

know him personally was to love him and this enkindled in all the spirit to do one's own work in a better way. Even those who did not come into intimate contact with Julius Jacobson—who did not know him personally,—respected the man's work. It is appointed to every man upon this earth that he must die, and in that statement alone is the only consolation that one in the prime of his life should be taken from us. May God rest his soul in peace and give us strength to carry on in all the walks of community life as he would have it done."

One of the most beautiful and highly deserved tributes was the dedicatory note in the little memorial volume written by Louis Eppstein, as follows: "Dr. Julius H. Jacobson was my friend. I knew him well, so well that I loved him dearly as one of nature's noblemen. I appreciated and enjoyed his unselfish friendship. There is little I can say that would add to his fame and glory. But as a token of my esteem, I am sending this memorial."

One of the most notable editorial recognitions of Dr. Jacobson and his great ability appeared in the Toledo News-Bee, as follows: "What is a man's worth? Not how much money he is worth. Not how much land, how many buildings and bonds, how much stock or other material wealth he owns. But what is the worth of the man himself to humanity? The material evidences of wealth indicate what he has taken out of humanity's common fund. And we say he is worth a thousand, a hundred thousand or a million dollars. But a man's real worth is not what he takes for himself but what he gives—what he gives in service, not dollars. We have measured man's worth too long by the false standard. We have fooled ourselves, but we have never for an instant fooled God. When it was said that it was easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven, it didn't mean the man rich in the milk of human kindness, rich in love, rich in those qualities of the soul that make men truly great. It meant the man vulgarly rich—materially, not spiritually rich. That kind of a rich man couldn't buy his way into heaven, and all of his tribe couldn't keep the man rich in spirit out. I have in mind as I write one of the richest men in Toledo, yet I don't know whether he left one thousand or one hundred thousand dollars behind when he died. What he was worth to himself I do not know. It doesn't matter. But he was worth more than millions of dollars to this community. His death means more than the great grief of his immediate family and his many friends. It means a loss, a great loss, to the great human family of hundreds of thousands of men, women and children which we call Toledo. For they have lost one of their greatest servants. If Dr. Julius H. Jacobson had accumulated a hundred million dollars during his life, his death would have meant no material loss to the community. All of the wealth would be here, though he were gone. But his riches that we shall miss were not material. They were riches of the mind, the senses, the heart, the soul, expended in service. As the old order of things falls apart into chaos, in the old world, when thrones are toppling over and hereditary monarchs tumbling into the mud, when those who gained power and distinction through the accident of birth became, almost over night, outcasts from the human family, there is democratic satisfaction in contemplating the brief but brilliant career of Julius Jacobson. Here was no man born to the purple. Here was no man for whom it was proudly claimed that the blue blood of titled nobility coursed through his veins. He came into the world under no more favorable auspices than many millions of babes are born in this democracy. And his blood was plain, common, healthy human red. But he had mind, spirit, soul, ambition. Through his own earnest, determined efforts he became a surgeon—a really great surgeon, one whose achieve-

ments earned for him the profound respect of the fellows of his own profession. There could be no envy of his distinction, for there was no selfishness in it—the more he got the more he gave. The more he learned the more he wanted others to learn. As he approached the top of his profession he turned back to lift others up and help them on. Probably one thing for which he was most admired among his fellows was his thoughtful consideration and generous assistance of the younger and struggling members of his profession. And this was a service to the community that will go on beyond our ability to compute. Probably the best explanation of Dr. Jacobson's genius is that to him his chosen work was a profession, a noble calling to duty and service, a labor of love. And there was real glory in the consciousness that as he leaned to his work at the operating table a human life depended upon his clear brain, keen eye, alert senses, skillful fingers and superior knowledge. There was the joy of mastery, there genuine kingship, there real royalty. And if you would measure the success of this man by material standards, know then that over fifty per cent of his professional work was so-called charity work—unpaid for in money but well paid for in the joy of service, the delight in giving to humanity the skill that God had given to him. This is not written merely as a tribute to Dr. Jacobson. It is not written under the influence of the emotions aroused by the loss of a personal friend. It is written rather in the hope that others may see the great value to themselves of service, and that they may measure more accurately the value of real worth in real men. There is inspiration, too, for young men in the knowledge that there is no royal road to fame, but that the highest distinction awaits him who earns it through service. What was Julius Jacobson's nationality? No matter. What was his religious belief? No matter. Where was he born? No matter. How much was he worth? No matter. What was he? He was a man, a real man, a teacher, a lover of his fellowman, a servant of humanity, a master in a profession of service."

JAMES BENTLEY

James Bentley, vice president of The A. Bentley & Sons Company, is one of Toledo's prominent business men whose activities have had much to do with the city's growth and development, and he belongs to a family that for over fifty years has been identified with the building and contracting business in this city.

James Bentley was born in Lenawee county, Michigan, November 1, 1871, a son of Anderton and Elizabeth (Robson) Bentley. Anderton Bentley was born April 22, 1845, in Bradford, England, and was a young man of about twenty-six when he came to America, first locating near Adrian, Michigan. In 1872 he located in Toledo, entering business here as a contractor and builder. He was one of the pioneers in this field and at first conducted his interests under the style of A. Bentley. Subsequent changes have been made in the name of the firm, as A. Bentley & Son, and later, A. Bentley & Sons, while since 1907, when the business was incorporated, it has been A. Bentley and Sons Company. Anderton Bentley's progressive spirit, combined with his executive ability and comprehensive knowledge of the business, placed him in a position of leadership and as the years passed the firm name became well known throughout the country. He was recognized as one of the foremost business men of Toledo, and his demise on the 23d of September, 1916, marked the passing of one of the city's chief upbuilders and promoters. His wife died in 1912. Their three children are: Ethel, James and Thomas.

JAMES BENTLEY

James Bentley was but a child when his parents moved to Toledo, where he attended the Central high school and early in life entered into active connections with the building operations carried on by his father. He readily adapted himself to the work and was taken into the firm, which then became A. Bentley and Son. In 1907, when the business was incorporated, he was elected vice president, and as such he has continued to the present time.

During the fifty years of their existence, the operations of the Bentleys have not merely been abreast of the times, but well in advance of them and these years have witnessed more progress in building construction than was displayed in the entire century which preceded them.

In 1883, when Anderton Bentley undertook the rebuilding of the Hall block, at the corner of St. Clair and Jefferson, the word "skyscraper" was unknown and buildings of steel and tile construction had not been dreamed of. The Hall block, five stories in height after it was rebuilt, was regarded as almost the last word in business blocks. A little more than twenty-five years later, the employes of the Bentleys could look down from the twenty-first story of the Second National Bank building, then being constructed, and see the Hall block as merely a low, flat-roofed structure, with scarcely an outer characteristic of present-day ideas.

Among the principal Toledo structures that stand as examples of Bentley construction are: The Secor Hotel, the Bostwick-Braun building, the Second National Bank building and the Nicholas building. In addition to the company's extensive operations in Toledo, they have built many notable structures in the central and eastern states. The plant of the General Electric Company at Pittsfield, Massachusetts, is another of the many big concrete jobs they have completed. This is a building, one hundred by eight hundred, and four stories high.

The main shops of the company are located at Thirteenth and Lucas streets, while its executive offices are in its building at Belmont avenue and Thirteenth street. The organization, equipment and facilities of The A. Bentley & Sons Company are as modern and complete as those possessed by any company in its line in the country, while the class and extent of its operations have long since given it a foremost position among the big builders of the country. In 1917 the Bentley Company was selected by the United States government to build at Chillicothe, Ohio, one of the large national cantonments, at that time so urgently needed to house the troops who had been drafted for service in the World war; also Camp Joseph E. Johnston at Jacksonville, Florida, and concrete ships at that place.

Mr. Bentley has been an important factor in the growth and development of the company and for years has had charge of all of its out-of-town operations. Among his other business connections, he is one of the directors of the Commerce-Guardian Trust and Savings Bank, a director of the Fifty Associates Company and the vice president of the Richardson Company, investment bankers of Toledo.

Politically Mr. Bentley is a republican, giving stanch support to the party, but he has never been an aspirant for office. His interests are broad and varied and his activities have brought him to a prominent position in the business circles of the city, where he is regarded as one of Toledo's strong and capable business men. Fraternally he is identified with the Elks and the Masons, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in the latter order, and he is also a member of the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club and the Rotary Club.

On the 15th of January, 1914, Mr. Bentley was united in marriage to Mrs. Elizabeth (Doyle) Scott of Toledo, a daughter of Judge John Hardy Doyle, mentioned elsewhere in this work. Mrs. Bentley is a lady of liberal education and has

long occupied a prominent position in social circles of the city. By her first marriage she had one child, Isabel Scott, who was educated in the Smead School for Girls of Toledo and is now the wife of Ceilan Herbert Rorick of Toledo.

Mr. Bentley's residence, "Innisfail," is one of Toledo's most attractive homes.

HERMAN ALBERT STOCKSTILL

Herman Albert Stockstill, lawyer, real estate dealer and loan agent of Toledo, was born in Sidney, Shelby county, Ohio, April 3, 1878, and is a son of Thomas and Martha (Mitchell) Stockstill, the former a farmer by occupation but now deceased. Herman A. Stockstill mastered the branches of learning taught in the public schools of his native state and afterward attended the Ohio Northern University at Ada. He pursued his law course in the Lincoln and Jefferson Law School at Hammond, Indiana, from which he was graduated with the class of 1911. Since that date he has engaged in the real estate and loan business. However, he was admitted to the bar in 1921 and is now devoting a portion of his time and attention to law practice, while his knowledge of the law is of much value to him in the conduct of his business affairs along other lines. He has been a resident of Toledo since 1897 and through the intervening years has made steady progress in business and in his profession and also in gaining the regard and goodwill of his fellow townsmen.

On the 10th of June, 1920, Mr. Stockstill was married to Miss Alma Lang of Toledo and they have become parents of a daughter, Thelma Madeline. Mr. Stockstill belongs to the Knights of Pythias, also to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and to the National Union. He possesses various substantial qualities and social characteristics that have gained for him warm friendship and high regard among those with whom he has come into contact during the quarter of a century of his residence in this city.

WALTER STEWART

Toledo gained a citizen who has been an asset in her business life and development when in 1909 Walter Stewart came to this city. Through the intervening period he has been associated with the Overland Company and later with various financial and business concerns which have profited by his cooperation and benefited by his judgment and foresight.

Mr. Stewart was born in Quincy, Illinois, May 29, 1864, and is a son of William and Margaret (Kay) Stewart. His youthful days were passed in his native city, where he acquired his education, and started out in the business world as a representative of finance and credits. Throughout his life he has been closely associated with banking, with real estate interests and with manufacturing, and has been a thorough and discriminating student of business conditions at all times and of all the varied phases of the interests which have specially claimed his attention. On leaving Quincy, Illinois, he was located in Buffalo, New York, for a time, removing to Elmira in 1900, and then to Albany. In 1909 he came to Toledo as treasurer of the Willys-Overland Company, with which he remained through

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the establishment and building up of the business. In 1917 he severed his connection with the Overland, to give his attention to personal business interests, which are varied and extensive.

Among his other interests Mr. Stewart is vice president of the Commercial Savings Bank and Trust Company, vice president of The E. H. Close Realty Company and president of the Rollaway Motor Company.

On the 21st of November, 1898, at Brantford, Ontario, Canada, Mr. Stewart was united in marriage to Miss Ann Blackburn Crompton, a daughter of Edwin Blackburn Crompton. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart have two sons: Carter Crompton, born June 3, 1905, in Elmira, New York; and Robert G. Kay Stewart, born June 27, 1910, in Toledo.

Mr. Stewart belongs to the Toledo Club and to various golf and commercial clubs. His military record covers a three-year period of service with the Illinois National Guard. His political activity has been largely confined to the performance of his duties as a private citizen, but he rendered most valuable service to Toledo as finance director under Mayors Milroy and Brough. Of Episcopal faith, he is now a vestryman of Trinity church of Toledo and he is interested in all of those forces which make for legitimate business progress in city and state, or for the advancement of the intellectual and moral welfare. His support is withheld from no project which he deems essential to the advancement of the city's interest and the maintenance of high civic standards. Mr. Stewart's residence is at No. 2001 Collingwood avenue.

FLOYD JONES SMITH

Floyd Jones Smith, organizer and head of the Toledo Fence & Post Company, in which connection he has developed a business of gratifying proportions, comes to this state from Michigan, his birth having occurred at Lapeer on the 21st of October, 1875. His father, Charles Alfred Smith, was a millwright, who followed that trade throughout his life. He married Kate Rachel Jones and for many years they resided in Michigan. It was in the public schools of that state that Floyd J. Smith pursued his early education, supplemented by a special course of study in Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. When his college course was completed he went on the road as a traveling salesman for the De Laval Cream Separator, which he represented in that way for ten years. He afterward became supervisor of the traveling men for the Vermont Farm Machinery Company and occupied the position for a period of ten years, having thirty men under his supervision. Laudable ambition, however, prompted him to engage in business on his own account and he organized the Toledo Fence & Post Company in 1919, capitalizing the business for twenty-five thousand dollars. From the beginning he has been the president of the company, which has made steady progress and now occupies grounds two hundred by two hundred feet at Summit street, extending to the twenty-nine hundred block on Erie street. The factory is forty by eighty feet. The company manufactures various styles of steel fencing, steel and wood posts, ornamental gates and trellises, plain and ornamental, and the business is steadily growing. Mr. Smith is also the owner of the business conducted under the name of the Superior Post Company.

On the 16th of January, 1900, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Smith and

Miss Edna H. Robinson of Poughkeepsie, New York, and they have one daughter, Ruth Muriel, who belongs to the class of 1925 of the Scott high school. Mr. Smith is a member of the First Congregational church and makes his religious faith a working principle in his life. He enjoys trout fishing and finds pleasure in the comradeship that comes to him through his membership in the Masonic and Odd Fellows societies. In the former he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and has also crossed the sands of the desert with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He likewise belongs to the Exchange Club, the Commerce Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and the Lumbermen's Club and is regarded as a valuable asset in the membership of these different organizations. His home is at No. 2405 Maplewood avenue.

JAMES V. DAVIDSON

Business development in Toledo has found stimulus in the efforts of James V. Davidson, who established his home in this city in 1903, and as president of the Davidson Lumber & Cedar Company he is controlling an enterprise of large proportions, which stands as a monument to his progressive spirit and executive ability. He was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, April 3, 1881, and his parents were James and Mary (Brown) Davidson, who were also natives of that city. James Davidson and his father became pioneer contractors of Grand Rapids and contributed in large measure to the upbuilding and improvement of that city, in which the former passed away in 1921, while the mother died during the infancy of the subject of this review. In the family were four children, three of whom survive: Stanley, who is living in Rochester, Michigan; Zoe F., who is still a resident of Grand Rapids; and James V.

In the acquirement of an education James V. Davidson attended the grammar and high schools of Grand Rapids and afterward entered the University of Michigan, in which he completed a course in mechanical engineering, graduating in 1903. Immediately afterward he came to Toledo, where he embarked in the contracting and building business, with which he was identified until 1908, when he organized the Davidson Lumber & Cedar Company and has since been its executive head. They operate planing and saw mills in northern Michigan and maintain their headquarters in Toledo, limiting their output to cedar posts, telegraph poles and railroad ties and selling only to the wholesale trade. Mr. Davidson has always carefully planned his business, while he also possesses the administrative ability necessary to carry it forward, and with the passing years his trade has steadily developed until he is now controlling one of the largest and most important undertakings of the kind in the state and one which is lending added prestige to his city.

In Grand Rapids, Michigan, on the 9th of October, 1906, Mr. Davidson was married to Miss Alice B. Dickinson, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Dickinson, prominent residents of that city, and they have a son, Robert D., who was born in Toledo in 1911 and is attending school. Mr. and Mrs. Davidson are members of the Presbyterian church and his public spirit finds expression in his membership with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He is a Royal Arch Mason and is also connected with the Rotary Club and the Credit Men's Association and has served as president of the last named organization. He is a man of well balanced capacities and powers who has made steady advancement since his initial effort was made

in the field of business and his labors have found culmination in the development of one of Toledo's successful industrial enterprises. His spirit of initiative and progress has constituted an important feature in the city's upbuilding and advancement and his influence is one of broadening activity and strength in the field in which he is operating.

PETER SATTLER

There is tangible evidence of the business ability of Peter Sattler in the organization which he has built up for the manufacture of harness and saddlery. He started the business with a cash capital of thirty-five dollars and the enterprise is now incorporated for twenty-five thousand dollars. Working steadily and persistently he has accomplished these results and his business is still steadily growing. Mr. Sattler was born in Cleveland, Ohio, August 8, 1856, and is a son of John and Katherine (Dahlheimer) Sattler. The father, a native of Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany, came to the new world in 1848, settling in Cleveland. He had previously learned the harness-maker's trade in his native country, engaging in a pursuit which has long been followed by the family. In fact, adding the business experience of Peter Sattler in harness-making to the record of former members of the family, gives a total of more than three hundred years in which the Sattlers have devoted their attention to harness-making. Following his arrival in the new world John Sattler took up his abode on a farm near Perrysburg, Wood county, Ohio, and there conducted his business of harness and saddlery manufacturing for a time but later removed to the town. In June, 1875, he came to Toledo and here his son, Peter, was associated with him in business for a brief period.

Peter Sattler was at that time a youth of nineteen years and after two years connection with his father's business he started out independently in 1877, organizing his interests under the style of Peter Sattler, harness and saddlery manufacturer. At that time he had but thirty-five dollars but he borrowed two hundred from his uncle and five hundred from his father and thus with a capital of seven hundred and thirty-five dollars he secured necessary machinery and equipment and began the business which he now carries on. His trade has steadily increased, leading to the continuous development of his plant and the business is now incorporated for twenty-five thousand dollars, the entire stock being owned by his family. From the beginning Mr. Sattler has been the president of the company and its directing spirit. He is also the president of the General Fire Proof Storage Company and vice president of an insurance company.

Mr. Sattler was married on the 19th of October, 1880, to Miss Mary Schlagheck, a native of Minster, Ohio, who came to Toledo by canal boat in 1858. Six children have been born to them: Edward G., who is the secretary and treasurer of the company of which his father is the head and who married Laura Schlachter of Toledo; Peter H., who is one of the directors of the company and who married Rosa Fagany; Florian A., who is likewise a director of the company and who wedded Cecile Mathews; Christena, at home; Eleanor, the wife of Vinton Schlachter, manager with the Buckeye Paper Company; and Irene, who is the wife of John Rumpf. The father, Peter Sattler, belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and to the Knights of Columbus, the latter association indicating his religious faith as that of the Catholic church. He is the vice president of the insurance com-

pany of the Catholic Knights of Ohio, which has a surplus of over one million dollars and he is the treasurer of the Toledo Driving Club, a position which he has occupied for eight years, and has likewise been treasurer of the St. Peter Benevolent Association for fifteen years. In 1913, Mr. Sattler, with his wife and daughter Christena, made a European trip, during which he visited nine different countries, and included a visit to the birthplace of his father at Frankfort-on-the-Main, but was not able to find a living person who was contemporaneous with his father. In all the organizations with which he is identified Mr. Sattler is called to positions of trust and responsibility, a fact indicative of the sterling worth of his character and the high position which he occupies in the regard of his fellowmen.

SCHUYLER C. SCHENCK

The specific and distinctive office of biography is not to give voice to man's moderate estimate of himself and his accomplishments but rather to leave a perpetual record, establishing his character by the consensus of opinion on the part of his fellowmen. Throughout Toledo Mr. Schenck was spoken of in terms of admiration and respect. His life was so varied in its activities, so honorable in its purposes, so far-reaching and beneficial in its effect that it became an integral part of the history of the city and left an impress upon the annals of the state. In no sense a man in public life, he nevertheless exerted an immeasurable influence on the city of his residence. In business life as a dealer in fuel, as a financier and as a promoter of other commercial enterprises; in social circles by reason of a charming personality and unfeigned cordiality; and in those departments of activity which ameliorate hard conditions of life for the unfortunate, through his benevolence and his liberality. He was an active factor in the development of a number of the institutions which were established to look after the welfare of those who needed assistance and his life was fraught with many good deeds.

Schuyler C. Schenck became identified with Toledo when a young man of twenty-eight years. He was born in Fulton, Oswego county, New York, March 9, 1842, and was of Holland lineage, his ancestors having come to the new world about 1650. His father devoted his attention to farming and the lumber business and having a large family of eight children he was able to give his sons and daughters only such educational opportunities as the country schools afforded. When not busy with his textbooks Schuyler C. Schenck assisted in the operation of the home farm and in his father's business activities in the town of Fulton. He was for a time employed in a general store there and later clerked in a hardware store. He remained with that concern for ten years and on attaining his majority was admitted to a partnership. His early experience and training were comprehensive and thorough and well qualified him for later successes.

In the year 1870 Mr. Schenck arrived in Toledo, where he became engaged in the coal and fuel business as agent for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company. He remained in active connection with that line of business to the time of his death, conducting a wholesale and retail trade in coal and fuel not only as selling agent for the Lackawanna but also for other companies. On the 1st of May, 1898, he was appointed sales agent by the Lackawanna Company of Chicago and at the time of his demise had charge of the company's fuel distributing department in Toledo and was a representative of the company in Chicago.

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He also extended his efforts into other fields, becoming president of the Toledo & Indiana Railroad, a director of the Union Savings Bank of Toledo and for several years served as vice president and president of the First National Bank of Toledo, thus coming into prominence in the financial circles of the city. His business discrimination was notably keen and his judgment sound.

In the year 1871 Mr. Schenck was married at Baldwinsville, New York, to Miss Harriet Elizabeth Dow and they became the parents of four children; Daniel D., who succeeded his father as the head of the business at Toledo but has since passed away; Mrs. B. S. Hamilton; Lewis R., who is now at the head of the various business interests left by his father and brother; and Margaret L., the wife of Walter L. Haskell of Toledo. Mr. Schenck had passed the Psalmist's span of threescore years and ten when on the 3d of June, 1913, death came to him in this city. He had not only made for himself a large place in commercial and banking circles but had always given a portion of his time to activities having to do with public need and with the welfare of his fellowmen. He was an earnest worker in behalf of the Lucas County Children's Home, of which he served as a trustee and he frequently acted as guardian to orphans who possessed small estates. From 1882 until 1884 he was a member of the city council and at one time served on the city park board. He did everything in his power to uphold and advance high civic standards and his labors were far-reaching and resultant. He and his wife were most particularly helpful in relation to the Toledo Hospital, aiding largely in its maintenance and in its development. Almost from the beginning Mr. Schenck served on the hospital advisory board and Mrs. Schenck served as one of the trustees of that institution. She was president of the hospital for many years and honorary president at the time of her death in 1919. Kindly and generous in spirit, both qualities combined with his splendid business ability made Mr. Schenck a most valued factor in the successful management of any institution or interest with which he became identified. While he won a substantial measure of success he always felt with Lincoln that, "There is something better than making a living—making a life." The simplicity and beauty of his daily life as seen in his home and family relations constituted an even balance to his splendid business ability.

JOHN W. HACKETT

John W. Hackett, now practicing as a member of the firm of Hackett & Lynch, is numbered among the successful attorneys of Toledo and he enjoys in large measure the confidence and respect of his fellow practitioners, owing to his pronounced ability and adherence to high professional standards. He was born October 21, 1884, and his parents were Michael and Katherine (Kelley) Hackett, both of whom were natives of Norwalk, Connecticut. In early life they came to Ohio, settling in Toledo, and the father has since devoted his attention to mechanical pursuits. He is still a resident of the city but the mother's demise occurred on the 11th of February, 1905. In their famliy were six children, all of whom are living in Toledo: Mary; John W.; Katherine; Phyllis, the wife of Dr. Thomas Higgins, a prominent physician; Frank M.; and Anastasia.

As a boy John W. Hackett attended the St. Francis de Sales parochial school and he then entered the law department of St. John's University, from which he was

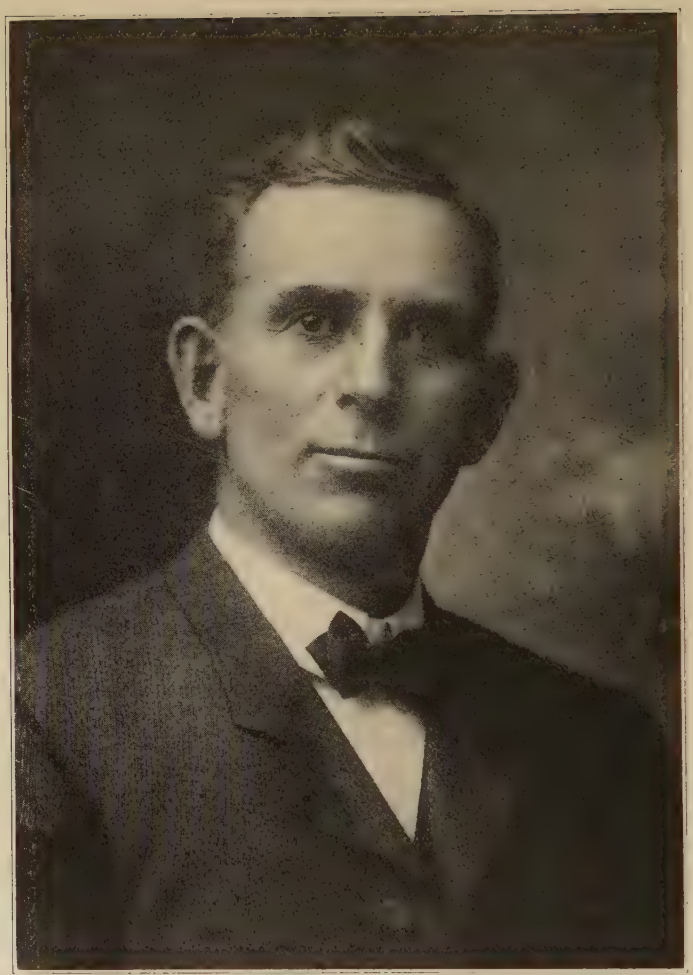
graduated in 1910, with the LL.B. degree. Following his admission to the bar he was appointed assistant prosecuting attorney of Toledo under John C. D. Alton, filling out a portion of an unexpired term, and from 1916 until 1918 he served in a similar capacity under Allen J. Seney. In 1914 he associated himself in practice with Edwin J. Lynch and they have been entrusted with important litigated interests, their clientele now being a large and lucrative one. While advancement at the bar is proverbially slow, Mr. Hackett has made substantial progress, readily mastering the intricacies of the law and preparing his cases with great thoroughness, precision and skill, his ability in the presentation of a cause having won for him many favorable verdicts.

On the 11th of July, 1911, Mr. Hackett was married to Miss Irene C. Sawkins, a daughter of George W. and Maria Sawkins, prominent residents of this city, and Mr. and Mrs. Hackett have three children: Jane Marie, whose birth occurred November 14, 1913, and who is attending St. Ursula's Academy; Dorothy, who was born January 4, 1915, and is also a pupil at that institution; and John Wallace, Jr., born April 28, 1918.

Mr. and Mrs. Hackett are communicants of the Roman Catholic church and he is a prominent member of the Knights of Columbus, in which he has taken the fourth degree. He is a past grand knight of the order and is now presiding officer of the fourth degree. He has never allowed his professional interests so to monopolize his attention as to prevent his participation in movements for the general welfare and as a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce he is active in furthering the commercial expansion of the city. He is also a member of the Inverness Club and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and his professional relations are with the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar associations. He is accorded a prominent position in the ranks of the legal fraternity of Toledo and his life record is proof of the fact that success at the bar is not a matter of fortunate circumstances, nor of genius, but is the outcome of clear judgment, careful preparation for the work in hand, experience, and that keen discernment which enables the individual to recognize and separate the essential from all the incidental elements of a case.

CLARE VERNON SKINNER

Clare Vernon Skinner is at the head of the Toledo Wheelbarrow Company of Toledo. It is true that in this connection he entered upon business already established but in enlarging and controlling this many a man of less resolute spirit and of more easily daunted courage would have failed. Mr. Skinner, however, has always recognized his opportunities and has pushed steadily forward to his objective, never failing to reach his goal. There have been no unusual or spectacular phases in his career and an analyzation of what he has accomplished shows that he has based his success upon the qualities of industry and energy which all may cultivate. He was born in Erie, Pennsylvania, on the 23d of September, 1873, his parents being John Marion and Henrietta (Myers) Skinner. The father came to Toledo in the year 1884 with his family and from that period until his death was a resident of this city. He was with the Brigham-Lamson Company as a partner in the bending works, which in the course of time were conducted under the firm style of Lamson & Skinner. In the summer of 1882



JOHN M. SKINNER

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W. O. and Frank Brigham and Edward Scovill of Toledo, together with Albert Hartley Lamson of Edgerton, Ohio, formed a partnership and organized the firm of Brigham-Lamson & Company for the purpose of manufacturing bent rims. This company purchased a ten acre tract of land from a Mr. Page in a section then known as Pagetown, the estate extending from the present site down to the river. The building on this site had been operated by Mr. Page as a Tight Barrel Stave Mill and the estate was purchased for ten thousand dollars. This building having been almost entirely destroyed by fire they began the erection of another in August of the same year and commenced the manufacture of bent rims in February of the following year. The company continued to operate until July, 1883, when Mr. Lamson closed down, as he found that they had lost ten thousand dollars on the venture. However, later on the firm was reorganized, Frank Brigham and Edward Scovill having in the meantime retired from the business, and in the fall of 1883 the building was reopened under the firm name of Brigham & Lamson, which they continued to operate until the spring of 1884, at which time John M. Skinner entered into partnership with them, the firm name then being changed to Brigham, Lamson & Company. In 1885 or 1886 Mr. Brigham severed his connection with the company, selling his interest to the other two members of the firm and again the name was changed, this time becoming Lamson & Skinner and so continued until the death of Mr. Lamson, which occurred April 9, 1888. Charles T. Lewis, of the firm of Doyle, Scott & Lewis, having been made administrator of the Lamson estate, the firm was then incorporated as a stock company under the style of the Lamson & Skinner Bending Company, with John M. Skinner as president and treasurer, Charles T. Lewis, secretary, John M. Cleveland, vice president, the directors being J. M. Skinner, J. M. Cleveland, Charles T. Lewis, Celia L. Lamson and Henry Hegner, in accordance with an agreement made with Mr. Lamson prior to his demise that this concern was to be carried on as a stock company, under the style of the Lamson & Skinner Bending Company, for a period of ten years after his death, which promise was faithfully kept by Mr. Skinner. In 1902 Mr. Skinner purchased the interest of the Lamson estate, becoming sole owner and continued the business under the name of the J. M. Skinner Bending Company, the partnership consisting of himself, his son and two daughters. Two years later, or in June, 1904, the firm was incorporated under the above name, John M. Skinner becoming president, Clare V. Skinner of this review, vice president, and F. B. Anderson, secretary and treasurer. In 1907 the officers of the J. M. Skinner Bending Company, together with William L. Schumacher, organized and incorporated the Toledo Wheelbarrow Company, its factory being built on the Bending Company's land, and so continued until January, 1921, when the two corporations were consolidated and are now operated under the style of the Toledo Wheelbarrow Company. Steadily Mr. Skinner developed the enterprise, its continued growth making it one of the important productive industries of the city and remained president thereof until his death, which occurred in October, 1913.

Clare Vernon Skinner spent the first eleven years of his life in the Keystone state and then accompanied his parents to Ohio, where he has since made his home. His education, begun in the public schools of his native city, was continued in Toledo and after his textbooks were put aside he became associated with his father in the conduct and management of the business enterprise which claimed the attention of John M. Skinner. With his father's death Clare V. Skinner succeeded to the presidency of the Toledo Wheelbarrow Company and is now directing head of this mammoth concern. The other officers of the company are: W. L. Schu-

macher, vice president and treasurer, F. B. Anderson, secretary, and W. T. Davis, assistant treasurer, these men and Mrs. J. S. Dugan also composing the board of directors. Mr. Skinner is also a director of the Home Building and Savings Company. He has closely studied existing conditions in the world of trade, knows the market with which he has to deal and by progressive methods and indefatigable energy has steadily developed his business interests along lines leading to permanency and success.

On the 26th of September, 1900, Mr. Skinner was united in marriage to Miss Grace Wright of Toledo and they have one child, Marion Wright, now Mrs. James M. Lattin of Toledo. In Masonic circles Mr. Skinner is well known, having become a Consistory Mason and a member of the Mystic Shrine. He is likewise a prominent figure in club circles, belonging to the Maumee and Toledo Yacht Club, to the Rotary Club, the Inverness Club and the Sylvania Golf Club, associations that indicate much of the nature of his interests and the line of his recreation. He is also identified with the Young Men's Christian Association, of which he is serving as a director, and thus he manifests his concern as to the welfare and protection of the youth of the city, fully meeting his obligations in this and in every other matter of citizenship. Life has ever been to him purposeful, its opportunities have been to him a call to action and to this call he has made ready response. His residence is at No. 1330 Broadway, which has been the family home for over thirty years.

ARTHUR A. SWARTZ

Arthur A. Swartz, attorney at law of Toledo, who since 1908 has been continuously engaged in the practice of his profession, was born in Wood county, Ohio, July 20, 1881, and is a son of Andrew and Lena (Graves) Swartz, who were farming people. The son was reared in the usual manner of the farm bred boy who divides his time between the acquirement of an education and the work of the fields. He attended the country schools of his native county until he had mastered the elementary branches of learning and later he became a student in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, Ohio. A review of the broad field of business determined him upon the study of law in preparation for a life work and he became a law student in the University of Michigan, in which he pursued the full course, winning his professional degree in 1908. In the same year he was admitted to the bars of both Michigan and Ohio. He located in Toledo in 1908 and for some years was associated in practice with C. A. Seiders and O. B. Snider but at the present writing follows his profession independently. He is a lawyer of ability, showing intense zeal and industry in the preparation of his cases, while in the work of the courts he is recognized as a strong pleader, a clear thinker and logical reasoner. For several years he was the secretary and one of the instructors in the law department of the Toledo University. He belongs to the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations.

On the 7th of August, 1908, Mr. Swartz was married to Miss Emily E. Dent, who prior to her marriage to Mr. Swartz, had for nine years been a successful teacher in the public schools of Wood county, Ohio. Mrs. Swartz passed away on the 28th of March, 1919, leaving two children, Arthur Barton and Helen Gwendolyn. On the 2d of September, 1922, Mr. Swartz was again married, his second

union being with Blanche M. Van Arsdale, the only child of Anson and Cora B. Van Arsdale. Mr. Swartz now resides with his family at No. 1405 Harvard boulevard, Toledo, Ohio.

Mr. Swartz has always been deeply interested in everything concerning the welfare and protection of children and is now Boy Scout commissioner of Toledo, Ohio. He is a member of the Historical Society of Northwestern Ohio and is deeply interested in all that has to do with historical research. Fraternally he is connected with the Masons and with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is also identified with the Chamber of Commerce, being a member of the legislative committee of that body, and with the Toledo Automobile Club. His religious faith is manifest in his connection with the Epworth Methodist Episcopal church, to which his wife also belongs, and his entire life has been guided by high and honorable principles, making him a man whom to know is to respect and esteem.

HIRAM REEVE KELSEY

Hiram Reeve Kelsey was for many years a conspicuous figure in connection with the lumber trade and manufacturing interests of Toledo. A native son of the city, he was born January 1, 1859, his parents being Aaron Lufkin and Helen Mar (Lawton) Kelsey. A sketch of the father will be found elsewhere in this publication.

Hiram Reeve Kelsey received his education in the schools of Toledo and in the Shattuck Military School at Faribault, Minnesota, which he attended for five years. When his textbooks were put aside he immediately became associated with his father in business and thoroughly acquainted himself with every phase of the interests with which the father was identified. In 1886, at the time of his father's retirement, he formed a partnership with George L. Freeman, under the name of Kelsey & Freeman. The firm developed a business of extensive proportions over a period of thirty-one years. Mr. Kelsey had gone to Canada to buy lumber when he became stricken with the illness that terminated his life, on the 12th of June, 1917. The business was reorganized in 1918, under the firm style of The Kelsey & Freeman Lumber Company. He was also a director in the Milburn Wagon Company. He was for a time a vice president of the Merchants National Bank and also of the Peoples Savings Bank, in which position he served at the time of its organization. Honored and respected by all, he occupied a most enviable position in the commercial and financial circles of the city not alone by reason of the success he attained but also owing to the straightforward business policy which he ever followed. It is true that he entered upon business enterprises already established by his father, but in enlarging and controlling these he manifested the progressive spirit of the age and adopted the most advanced commercial methods. He possessed initiative and energy and obstacles and difficulties in his path seemed but to serve as an impetus for renewed effort on his part, leading ultimately to success.

On the 16th of October, 1883, in Toledo, Mr. Kelsey was married to Miss Alice Gladstone Young, a daughter of James and Mary (Sherret) Young, both of whom came from Scotland and eventually took up their abode in Toledo, where Mr. Young was a contractor and builder. Mr. and Mrs. Kelsey became the parents of seven children: Helen, the wife of Clement E. Chase; Aaron Lufkin (II), who is vice president of The Kelsey & Freeman Lumber Company and who married

Eleanor Kinsey; Mary Isabel, the wife of John D. Biggers; Alice Reeve, the wife of Russell Cooke; Katharine; Grace Secor; and Florence. While Mr. Kelsey belonged to the Episcopal church, he attended services at the First Congregational church. He was well known in social and club circles, having membership in the Inverness Club, the Toledo Club, the Mullet Lake Club, and the Middle Bass Club.

An appreciation of Mr. Kelsey's worth and character was written by his old-time friend, W. E. Ketcham, as follows: "Suddenly and without warning came the passing of our old friend, H. R. Kelsey, bringing the numbing shock and then the dull pain that will endure for so long for those near him. When the shock has passed we may look upon his death as of one who fearlessly embarked on the 'Great Adventure,' leaving sorrowing friends but many pleasant memories behind him. The writer recalls him as a jolly, rollicking boy in the old homestead in lower town, when the yard sloped down to the river and quiet and serenity reigned. The Toledo in which he was born was a village nestled in the trees and as it grew he grew with it. The writer recalls him as attending the old Bush street school long since abandoned. He recalls particularly that sweet and gracious lady—his mother. His career in business has been successful and beyond reproach. It was characterized by inflexible and unwavering integrity. His home life was ideal. Few that experienced it can forget the splendid hospitality of the home on lower Summit in which the host and hostess beamed with kindness and graciousness—surrounded by a charming family. No one can forget his merry humor and good-natured jests. It was a distinct privilege to be there. His business of lumber buying took him to the remote places. He died in the little town of Spragge, Ontario, on the north shore of Georgian Bay, where he often went. It was noticed by those whose sad duty it was to go there to bring back his earthly form that everyone knew him pleasantly and spoke through tears, of his passing. In the lumber woods there will be many a tear brushed from the rough cheek of a 'lumber jack' when they speak reverently and lovingly of his kindliness and justness and the tear and the thought will be sincere. One of the gentle sides of his character was his genuine love and appreciation of art. To those who knew him intimately it was a matter of wonder when he could find time in a busy business life to acquire such a wide and accurate knowledge of pictures. He collected many beautiful examples. His life was round and full and he left the goblet nearly brimming. We who only wait a time for sailing bespeak a pleasant voyage for him."

WILLIAM HARDEE

In the passing of William Hardee the city of Toledo lost a distinguished citizen and one who for many years had occupied a position of leadership in industrial and financial circles of the city. Entering business life here as a pioneer, he became nationally known by reason of his activities in the oil industry as head of the National Supply Company, which under his wise and cautious yet courageous leadership attained eminence in its line. As a philanthropist, too, his memory is honored and will long be cherished. The story of his career is a most stimulating and fascinating one, for it was from a humble position that he worked his way steadily upward to that of chief executive to one of the nation's leading industrial enterprises.

WILLIAM HARDEE

William Hardee was seventy-six years of age when called to his final rest on the 1st day of May, 1922, his birth having occurred in 1845. He was born in England of Scotch parentage, being a son of James and Agnes (Dunlop) Hardee, who came to the new world when their son William was but three years of age. The father was a skilled machinist. He made his way westward to Detroit when there was no railroad between Detroit and Buffalo, all transportation being by way of the lakes. Mr. Hardee was a skilled mechanic and assisted in building a part of the Michigan Central Railroad. He was also one of the first men in the Detroit shops to develop low pressure engines.

William Hardee pursued his education in the schools of Detroit. He was tall and well developed as a boy and when he came to Toledo with the Wabash Terminal, acting as agent, he was receiving one hundred dollars per month, although only eighteen years of age. This was considered a very large wage for one of his years and experience in that day. Prompted by a laudable ambition, he carefully saved his earnings and made investment in a business in 1873, in association with Cornelius Kendall and Daniel C. Shaw, organizing the Shaw-Kendall Company, which is still in existence. Shortly after this date the firm of Woolcott, Roe & Company was consolidated with the Shaw-Kendall Company and Joseph L. Woolcott became an active partner in the latter concern. In the late '80s, with R. E. Townsend, William C. Hillman and others, the Buckeye Supply Company was organized as a subsidiary of the Shaw-Kendall Company to deal in oil well supplies. The first store was established in Cygnet, Ohio. Mr. Hardee and his associates became interested also at about that time with a group of Pittsburgh supply men in what is now the National Supply Company. Gradually the interests of Mr. Hardee and his associates became dominant in the three organizations and about 1900 all were merged into the National Supply Company, an Ohio corporation, with Toledo as headquarters. Mr. Hardee, who was himself an expert accountant, became treasurer of the new company and it was under his capable control that the National Supply Company attained its commanding position in the oil well supply business. Through the intervening period the business was steadily developed until it is today the largest in the world, with stores and offices throughout every civilized section of the globe. The company became widely known in the oil producing centers and to such has shipped supplies in large quantities. Mr. Hardee was actively identified with the undertaking from its inception until his demise and filled all of the offices of the company, including those of president and chairman of the board of directors. In his later years, however, he largely curtailed his efforts, preferring to rest in considerable measure from the labors of previous years. He was also interested in numerous other Toledo concerns and was a prominent factor in financial circles as president of the Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company, which position he filled for three years following the death of the late James J. Robinson—a period which marked the greatest growth in the history of the bank. For more than seven years he was one of the directors of The Toledo Times Publishing Company, serving in that capacity at the time of his demise. In business Mr. Hardee took a keen interest in the welfare of his associates and employes; was noted for his beneficence and generous support of worthy charities; and was foremost in the performance of civic duties. He was one of the most ardent supporters of the state employes' compensation law, and due to his efforts and policies the welfare department of the National Supply Company was made one of its most important activities. Some years ago he planned and the company put into effect an old age pension system to take care of the men who grew old in the service of the firm.

He was of the old school of business men who made it a part of their life to be interested in the younger business men and his financial aid and sound advice assisted many young men on the road to success. Throughout his business career Mr. Hardee displayed remarkable ability in coordinating and relating seemingly diverse interests, which under his guidance were combined into a unified and harmonious whole. His splendid powers of organization were an important feature in the success of many interests and established his right to a place in the foremost ranks of the business men of the state.

In 1871 Mr. Hardee was united in marriage to Miss Adelaide C. Nessle of Toledo, a native of New England, and their children are: Agnes D., Ella L., who became the wife of Dr. Harold James Morgan, a surgeon in the World war, who died of influenza; Karl N.; Florence; Helen, the wife of John C. Husted; and William D. All are residents of Toledo.

A month prior to his death Mr. Hardee went to Atlantic City for a rest but while there became ill and returned to Toledo, here passing away a few days later. Extensive as was his acquaintance in this city, he was equally well known in New York and in California. He was a member of the Inverness, Country and Toledo Clubs of Toledo, the Duquesne Club of Pittsburgh and the Bankers Club of New York and a fellow of the American Geographic Society. When called from this life he was serving as first vice president of the Toledo Museum of Art, of which he was one of the founders, and he was also a patron of Berea College in Kentucky. To local charities, such as the War Chest, the Community Chest, the Red Cross and many others, he gave generously and unostentatiously. During the hour of his funeral all stores of the National Supply Company throughout the country were closed. The following tribute appeared editorially in one of the local papers: "On the journey of life we come into personal contact with some comrades who do not reveal upon the instant all the secrets of their inner natures—who do not wear their hearts on their sleeves, but who cherish their noblest emotions within the sealed vault of conscience. Such friends, when we regard them as related to the hail-fellows-well-met—the easy going, the communicative, the impulsive companions of our earthly career—may remind us, in a retrospect of our mortal pilgrimage as human units in the great scheme of the universe, of Longfellow's philosophy—that 'into each life some rain must fall;' but when we come to know them at their best—to follow them, step by step, in a realization of their ideals and to the ultimate revelation of their true characters—we discover, again with the poet, that behind their reserve and equipoise 'is the sun still shining'—the sun of undemonstrative but true affection. And so we hold fast their memories, realizing, at the end, how helpful they were to us and to the world.

"Of such was William Hardee, Toledo's distinguished and venerable citizen, who has just passed to his reward. He held no worthy fellowship in contempt, but he sowed the seeds of his personal confidence on ground of his own choosing. His heart was not an open book, but to those who were privileged to look within its covers it revealed a soul faithful to the higher ideals and the nobler aspirations of humanity. This was William Hardee, as the few knew him. This was he, as the many who knew him not. A great passion to do good—a great longing to be useful—expired when his heart ceased to beat. For many years Mr. Hardee has been a potent factor in the business, industrial and social life of Toledo. His energy was untiring, even until advanced years. To accomplish, to achieve, to build, to exercise a constructive influence upon the great world of material endeavor—

that was his desire, most abundantly fulfilled. He was one of those of whom Solomon said: 'Behold a man diligent in business; he shall stand before kings.'

"He loved Toledo. The city's welfare was his deep concern. He viewed it as an institution, in part, of his own making for here he had devoted years of mental concentration to its upbuilding. Identified with the interests of capital, he was nevertheless a true friend of labor. He wrought as his conscience told him, for the ultimate good of all. Without ostentation, Mr. Hardee was a philanthropist. Institutions for education, for moral uplift, for material advancement, far remote from Toledo, will testify to this, while agencies of helpful influence at our doors will not forget him as a friend and protector. Without egotism, he strove to make his counsel and aid of value to others. Without self pride, he builded well upon the foundations of personal industry. Without affectation, he was able to claim the attitude of a social democrat—one who was a friend to all, in his own way, in his own good time, with such reserve as he saw fit to throw around his confidences.

"Toledo has lost a citizen whose passing is universally deplored in the community. The world of affairs has lost a leader whose influence was potent for progress and human betterment. The personal friends of William Hardee have lost a confidant in whom their faith and trust was long abiding."

The entire career of Mr. Hardee was evidence of the fact that he never allowed personal interest or ambition to thwart his public spirit or activity. No plan or movement for the benefit of his city along lines of progress or improvement sought his aid in vain. In his life were the elements of greatness because of the use he made of his talents and his opportunities, because his thoughts were not self-centered but were given to the mastery of life's problems and the fulfillment of his duty as a man in his relations to his fellowmen and as a citizen in his relations to community, commonwealth and country.

H. J. BOLLINGER, M. D.

Although one of the younger representatives of the medical fraternity of Toledo, Dr. H. J. Bollinger has clearly demonstrated his professional ability and has established his position among the leading physicians of the city. He was born in Washington township, Lucas county, Ohio, August 11, 1890, a son of John and Ella (Stetzer) Bollinger, the latter also a native of this county. Here the father followed the occupation of farming, devoting his life to agricultural pursuits, and his demise occurred in 1894. The mother afterward married Dr. Moses Rabenoyich, a physician and surgeon, and they reside in Toledo. By the first marriage there were three children: Orville, Laura and H. J.

H. J. Bollinger was a pupil in the public schools of Toledo, afterward attending night classes conducted by the Young Men's Christian Association, and he continued to devote his evenings to study for four years, being employed during the day. He was then enabled to enter Heidelberg College at Tiffin, Ohio, from which he received the B. S. degree in 1914, and he next became a student at Johns Hopkins University of Baltimore, Maryland, being graduated therefrom in 1919, on the completion of a course in medicine. He acted as assistant physician at that institution until the 1st of January of the following year and then came to Toledo, where he has since successfully followed his profession. He is rapidly building up

a large practice, specializing in pathology and internal medicine, in which branches of medical science he is regarded as an authority. For the past three years he has been pathologist at Mercy Hospital and from 1919 until 1921 he was engaged in making blood tests for the Municipal Hospital. He is a deep and earnest student of his profession and neglects no opportunity to broaden his knowledge and promote his skill.

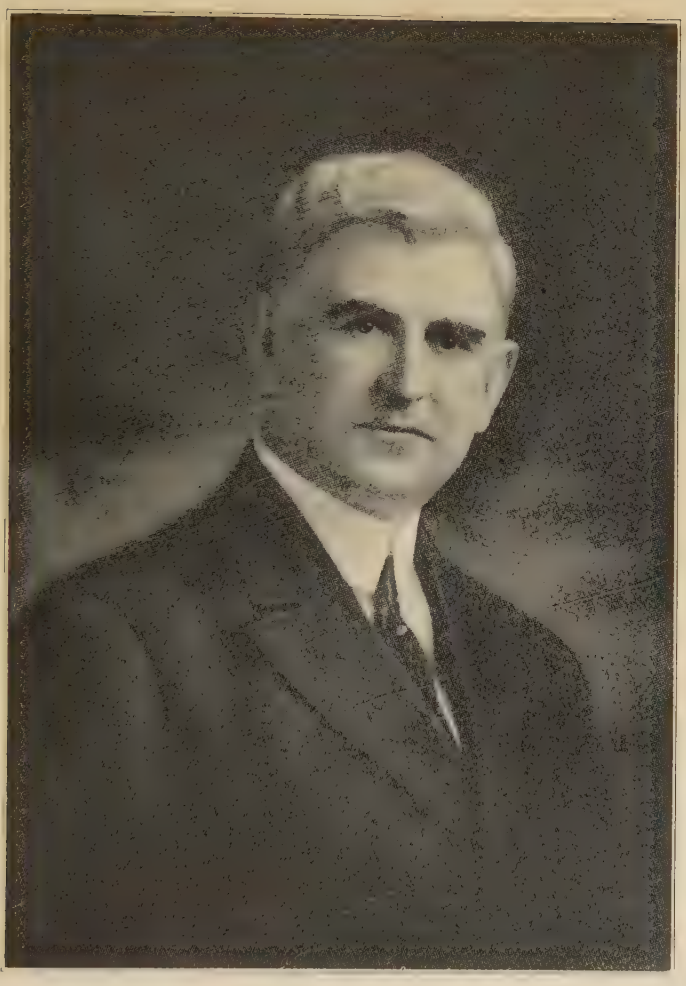
On the 28th of July, 1918, at Wichita, Kansas, Dr. Bollinger was married to Miss Fannie J. Millhaubt, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Millhaubt, prominent residents of that city, and to this union has been born a daughter, Patricia Maria, whose birth occurred in Toledo in 1921. The Doctor is a member of the Evangelical church and his deep interest in the welfare and advancement of his community is indicated by his connection with the Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Lions Club and in Masonry has taken the chapter degree. He keeps in close touch with the advancement that is constantly being made along professional lines through his identification with the Lucas County and Ohio State Medical societies and the American Medical Association and during the World war he served an externeship at Johns Hopkins, under government orders. He is a young man of determined spirit and marked strength of character who has ever been guided by high purposes and ideals and what he has accomplished represents the fit utilization of his innate powers and talents.

CHARLES BETTS, M. D.

There is perhaps no one who has firmer hold upon the affectionate regard of his fellow townsmen than does the general medical practitioner, who carries aid and comfort into hundreds of homes in the ministration of his professional duties. Dr. Charles Betts indeed made for himself an enviable place in the regard of his fellow townsmen and his work was of greatest worth to the city in which he so long resided. He was a native son of Ohio, born in the town of Bettsville, being a son of Jonathan R. Betts, a native of the state of New York, and a direct descendant of General Israel Putnam. His mother bore the maiden name of Sarah Cox and, like her husband, was an early resident of the Buckeye state.

Thirty years prior to his death Dr. Betts removed from his native town to Toledo and here spent two or three years in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as a telegrapher. He utilized his leisure hours while thus engaged by studying medicine, for it was his desire to become a member of the profession, and ultimately he earned the funds necessary to meet his tuition in the Western Reserve College at Cleveland, which he entered as a medical student, being graduated therefrom in 1890. He entered upon the practice of his profession in the same year and made steady progress therein throughout the intervening period to the time of his death. He had a large practice, being the loved family physician in many homes, where he carried cheer and encouragement by reason of his pleasant smile and friendly greeting as well as his professional power.

In Toledo, in 1902, Dr. Betts was united in marriage to Miss Helen R. Slack, a daughter of Jesse W. and Theresa D. (Hayward) Slack, who were natives of New Jersey and of New York, respectively. Dr. and Mrs. Betts became parents of a son, Charles. The family circle was broken by the hand of death when on the 16th of August, 1914, Dr. Betts passed away at his summer home. His entire life was



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guided by his Christian faith and belief. In politics he was nominally a republican, though he did not hesitate to cast an independent ballot if in his judgment this was the better course to pursue in order to gain the best interests of the community. He was a valued and representative member of the Toledo Medical Society and the Lucas County Medical Society and he was also well known in the membership of the Ohio State and American Medical associations. Perhaps no better analysis of his record as a physician and surgeon and of his character as a man can be given than by quoting from the words of his old-time friend, Dr. J. C. Reinhart, who at the time of his demise wrote: "Early in his professional career he developed a fondness for surgery, which soon led him to devote himself exclusively to that field of work, becoming particularly proficient in surgery of the pelvis and abdomen. In 1902 he was married to Miss Helen Slack of New York. Shortly afterward he established the Jefferson Hospital, which he and Mrs. Betts maintained till a short time before his death. Dr. Betts was a man of high character, of fine physique and pleasing personality. Only those among his friends who knew him intimately could appreciate his worth. He was generous to a fault, charitable and just, loyal to his friends and fair to those whose opinions differed from his own. One of his dominant personal traits was to excel, if possible, in whatever work he undertook, satisfied with nothing but the best, the most careful and painstaking effort. Under the most trying and vexatious circumstances he never lacked nor lost self-control. He was a man of big and generous heart. His sympathy for the suffering was such that much of his time and skill was given gratuitously for their relief. Like the true physician, he was easily touched by the ills and misfortunes of others; but few, save the recipients themselves, knew how frequent and how great were his deeds of charity and helpfulness. Though his appearance indicated a high degree of physical vigor, yet it was known to himself and a few of his intimate friends that his tenure of life was uncertain. On account of the not infrequent attacks of the malady which ended fatally at Beulah on the 16th, he had arranged during the past year to abandon the continuance of the Jefferson Hospital and convert the building into dwelling apartments, thereby relieving himself of a part of his work which, in his state of health, was considered to be too arduous. The last summons came while in the midst of these preparations. The loving husband, the kind father, the faithful friend, the skilled physician, though dead, will live in the memory of those who knew him."

CHARLES C. F. SIEVING

Prominently connected with one of the important industrial enterprises of Toledo, the record of Charles C. F. Sieving shows what may be accomplished through determined purpose and the wise utilization of opportunity. Starting out in the business world in a humble capacity, he has steadily worked his way upward in the employ of the Western Manufacturing Company until he is today secretary and treasurer of that organization. He is a native son of the city in which he makes his home, his birth having here occurred April 26, 1870, his parents being E. Henry and Sophia (Puck) Sieving, the father a lumber dealer. The son was educated in the public schools and after putting aside his textbooks secured a position as office and tally boy with the Western Manufacturing Company, which is one of the important productive industries of the city. The business was organized in

1870 by John H. Puck, Frederick Puck and four others, with a capital stock of six thousand dollars. Frederick Puck was identified with the business until his death in 1900, while John H. Puck, at the age of eighty, is still interested therein. The factory is situated at the corner of Vine and Water streets and is one hundred and sixty-five feet by one hundred and ninety-eight feet, with a dock property of two hundred and fifty feet. The lumberyard on Water street, between Walnut and Sycamore streets, is one hundred and sixty-five by two hundred and fifty feet. The company deals in lumber and manufactures sash, doors and all things for building material. It employs one hundred and twenty men and something of the treatment accorded employes is indicated in the fact that there are no strikes among the workmen, who recognize the fact that faithful and capable workmanship will win promotion when opportunity offers and at all times fairness and justice is meted out to them. They are accorded a good living wage and, moreover, if there is any grievance they know that they have opportunity to present the matter to those in authority. The officers of the company in the year 1923 are: Frederick Schulty, president; F. J. Puck, vice president; and Charles C. F. Sieving, secretary and treasurer. Working his way upward from a minor position, Mr. Sieving has become thoroughly familiar with every phase, branch and department of the business and is splendidly qualified for the position of executive direction which he now fills.

On the 14th of July, 1897, Mr. Sieving was united in marriage to Miss Ida Melcher of Cleveland, Ohio, and they have become the parents of five children: Dorothea Ida, who is the organist in the Salem Lutheran church; Carl Henry, who is with the Western Manufacturing Company; Elsa Sophia; Paul Frederick; and Elma Margaret. The religious faith of the family is that of the Lutheran church, in the work of which they have long taken an active and helpful part. Mr. Sieving has for years been a member of the church choir and prominent in musical circles. He belongs also to the Young Men's Christian Association, in the work of which he takes active part, and he is likewise a member of the Commerce Club. Marked strength of character, forcefulness and resourcefulness, capability and laudable ambition, have constituted the forces which have brought him steadily to the front in business circles, while his personal qualities have at the same time won him warm friendships among those with whom he has come into contact.

FREDERICK DANIEL HEGAMASTER

Frederick Daniel Hegamaster, president of the Ohio and Michigan Paper Company, is one of the best known men in the wholesale paper trade in this section of the country, as a result of his more than thirty years identification with that line of business. He is a self-made man whom Toledo regards as a valuable addition to its citizenship, for he has made wise use of his time and opportunities and has always been an advocate of progressive development. He was born in Perrysburg, Ohio, May 6, 1868, a son of Herman Augustus and Caroline (Klingler) Hegamaster, the former a well known carriage manufacturer of that place.

In the acquirement of an education Frederick D. Hegamaster attended the public school of Perrysburg and later became a student at the Northwestern College of Naperville, Illinois. In 1892 he came to Toledo and entered the employ of the Ohio and Michigan Paper Company in the capacity of bookkeeper, retaining that position

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until 1902, when with his two partners, Mr. Sisson and Mr. Winegar, he purchased the business. This he conducted successfully as manager until 1920, when the business was incorporated, with Mr. Hegamaster as president, V. D. Sisson a vice president, and Ira G. Winegar as secretary and treasurer. He combines a detailed knowledge of the business with marked executive ability and the capacity for hard work. Under his management the scope of the business has been greatly enlarged and is now the leading house in its line in Toledo. Mr. Hegamaster also has other business interests, being secretary and treasurer, also a director, of the Troy Oil & Gas Company, and he likewise engages in farming and stock raising, specializing in thoroughbred Duroc-Jersey hogs. While the latter project was begun and is maintained largely as a source of recreation and diversion, it has been successful.

At Perrysburg, Ohio, on the 4th of September, 1894, Mr. Hegamaster married Miss Nellie Gladys Zingg and they have one son, Donald Zingg Hegamaster, who was born in Perrysburg, July 27, 1895, and graduated from Scott high school, then entered the University of Pennsylvania. His university work was interrupted at the time the United States entered the World war, by his enlistment in the navy, where he was commissioned ensign. After the close of that great struggle he resumed his work in the University of Pennsylvania and graduated from that institution in 1921, being now identified with the Ohio and Michigan Paper Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Hegamaster are members of the Collingwood Presbyterian church. He does not allow the material things of life completely to engross his attention, but has ever found time to appreciate and enjoy those things which are of cultural value, serving to elevate and broaden the mind, and is a supporter of the Art Institute. He is a man of keen perception, enterprise and determination, who has steadily advanced since making his initial step in the field of business and his labors have found culmination in the development of a representative commercial enterprise which adds to the industrial prestige of the city. Mr. Hegamaster's city residence is at No. 2702 Collingwood avenue.

HENRY P. BLODGETT

Henry P. Blodgett, a native son of Toledo and a member of a family which for forty-two years has figured conspicuously in business circles here, is now serving as secretary and treasurer of the Blodgett & Beckley Company, specializing in the sale of teas and coffees, and conducting one of the largest mercantile enterprises in the city. Mr. Blodgett was born February 20, 1896, and is a son of Albro and Elizabeth Parsons (Doolittle) Blodgett, the latter also a native of Toledo and a daughter of General C. C. Doolittle. The father was born in Claremont, New Hampshire, and in 1883 he came to Toledo, first engaging in the merchandise brokerage business and afterward forming the firm of Blodgett & Hassett. Subsequently he assumed control of the Bour Company, which is now known as the Blodgett & Beckley Company, and he is serving as its president. His enterprising spirit and administrative powers have enabled him to develop a very extensive undertaking and he also has other important business interests in the city, ranking with the foremost business men of Toledo. The mother also survives and to their union were born three children, but Henry P. is the only one now living, the other two having died in infancy.

In 1913 Henry P. Blodgett was graduated from the Central high school of

Toledo and he then became a student at Williams College, from which he won the A. B. degree in 1917. Following the entrance of the United States into the World war he enlisted in the service and was sent to the Officers Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, receiving the commission of second lieutenant, while in December of that year he was promoted first lieutenant. He was assigned to the Three Hundred and Thirtieth United States Infantry and was ordered overseas with his regiment, spending nine months in France. After receiving his discharge he returned to Toledo and was made secretary and treasurer of the Blodgett & Beckley Company, which offices he is now capably filling. The firm handles a superior grade of tea and coffee and with the growth of the city the business has constantly expanded until it now ranks with the most important and extensive in the city. Mr. Blodgett devotes every energy toward the legitimate advancement of his house and his cooperation is a valuable asset in the promotion and expansion of the business.

At St. Paul, Minnesota, on the 3d of January, 1920, Mr. Blodgett married Miss Jane Hersey Mudge, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Mudge, prominent and highly respected residents of that city. Mr. Blodgett is a republican in his political views and his public spirit finds expression in his membership with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, while he is also connected with the Toledo Club and the Toledo Country Club. He is a young man who has not yet reached the zenith of his powers but he has already demonstrated his ability to manage important interests, and he worthily bears a name that for over four decades has stood as a synonym for integrity, enterprise and reliability in business circles of Toledo.

KARL MATHEIS

Karl Matheis was born in Toledo, December 22, 1860, a son of John and Phillipina (Hager) Matheis. The father engaged in the manufacture of structural iron, having a large concern where he made all kinds of fences and iron work of various kinds. His home was on Ontario street, near Jackson, then one of the attractive residential districts of the city.

Karl Matheis acquired his early education in the public schools and when his textbooks were put aside began working for an uncle, Philip Hager, in his furniture store. In 1884 he started in the undertaking business with Albert Bennett, opening an undertaking establishment on St. Clair street, in the old Obermiller building. About a year later Mr. Bennett died and Mr. Matheis purchased his interest in the business, continuing alone at the original location for about ten years. He then removed to No. 428 Summit street. In all of his business affairs he manifested a thoroughly progressive spirit. He was wide-awake and alert and readily adopted the modern methods, appliances and appurtenances of the business. He had the distinction of introducing many methods which are now universally practiced and he did the first arterial embalming in Toledo in the year 1885. In 1890 he brought the first ambulance to this city and a newspaper item of that time relates that its first call was to carry an injured man to the hospital and its second call was to the Madison Avenue dock to meet the steamer Gazelle, among the passengers being a man whose fingers on the right hand had been shot away in an accident at Put in Bay. Mr. Matheis held the

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first double funeral in Toledo and also cared for the first body taken out of Toledo to be cremated. There was no morgue in the city until Mr. Matheis constructed a small brick affair in the rear of No. 428 Summit street. This constituted the beginning of service of that character in Toledo. He also inaugurated the first chapel service in the city.

On the 24th of November, 1887, Mr. Matheis was married to Miss Elizabeth H. Gerkens, a daughter of John H. and Clara (Thulman) Gerkens, who came from Hanover, Germany, and settled in this city. The father conducted a grocery store at Seventeenth and Madison streets and later at Seventeenth and Adams streets.

Mr. Matheis held membership in St. Paul's Lutheran church and in politics he was a stanch republican. He was well known in club and social circles, belonging to the Toledo Club, the Toledo Yacht Club and the Maumee Yacht Club, of which he was at one time commodore. He was a charter member of Sanford L. Collins Lodge, F. & A. M., and attained the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite. He was also a Knights Templar Mason and a Shriner. He likewise had membership with the Knights of the Maccabees. He was a man of attractive personality, possessing in large degree those magnetic qualities which won for him a host of friends. Moreover, it is said that he never lost a friend through any fault of his. He was familiarly known as "Karl," the use of his Christian name indicating the kindly regard which was entertained for him by rich and poor alike. All felt honored by his acquaintance because of the many sterling traits of his character.

In 1913 Mr. Matheis suffered a nervous breakdown which resulted in his death on the 28th of October, 1917. With his passing Toledo lost a most progressive citizen. He had made and perfected the plans for building a strictly up-to-date undertaking establishment to include a chapel, parlors, undertaking rooms and showrooms—all that the most modern establishment of the kind could present. He owned the first funeral car in Toledo and at present the company owns a large Winton service limousine. The death of Mr. Matheis brought deep regret to many who knew him. He possessed many lovable traits of character and was widely known for his generosity and benevolence. It is told of him that he paid the hospital expenses, amounting to over five hundred dollars, for a poor woman who needed to undergo an operation for cancer but could not afford to pay hospital charges. While his charities were most numerous, they were also most unostentatious, the world knowing little of them. He faithfully followed the Biblical injunction not to let the left hand know what the right hand doeth. When he saw the old, the poor and the feeble he would think to himself: "If that was my mother, father or friend—" and with this loving thought would go the desired relief. He often sacrificed his personal interests and comfort to aid others and frequently to the point of self-denial would send coal or food to poor families. He was a consistent supporter of the existing avenues of charitable relief and, moreover, he was a most public-spirited citizen, with faith in Toledo and her future and doing everything in his power to promote her progress. He was ever ready to meet any obligation that came to him as a matter of citizenship and he was much interested in the new Art Museum, contributing liberally to its building. He was also a generous and zealous supporter of the Young Men's Christian Association. He leaves behind him a trail of beautiful memories and the recollection of his kindliness, his cheerfulness and his valued friendship is cherished in the hearts of all who knew him. After his nervous breakdown he suffered the added affliction of blindness but through all was calm and

courageous. Since his death Mrs. Matheis has been carrying on the business and hopes to put into execution some of the plans which were perfected by her husband ere he passed on.

THOMAS JAMES O'CONNOR

Thomas James O'Connor, active in industrial fields in Toledo as secretary of the Joseph L. Skeldon Engineering Company and secretary and treasurer of the Skeldon-Ryan Construction Company, was born October 25, 1891, in the city which is still his home, his parents being Timothy and Mary (Dawson) O'Connor. The father is a member of the Toledo fire department.

The son, spending his youthful days under the parental roof, pursued his education in the public and parochial schools of Toledo and started out in the business world as a bookkeeper, being employed in various offices. In 1915 he entered the employ of Joseph L. Skeldon in the capacity of bookkeeper and by reason of the business capability he displayed was advanced to the position of secretary of the Joseph L. Skeldon Engineering Company in 1916. He has since occupied this official connection with one of the important industrial corporations of the city and has likewise become the secretary and treasurer of the Skeldon-Ryan Construction Company. The work of these two companies is of an important character and they control business of extensive proportions, so that Mr. O'Connor has gained a creditable place among the successful men of his native city.

On the 8th of September, 1915, Mr. O'Connor was united in marriage to Miss Josephine Frances Gfell of Toledo and they have a daughter and a son, Florence Marie and Thomas James, Jr. Mr. O'Connor turns to golf for recreation, greatly enjoying a game on the links. He is well known in Toledo, where his life has been passed, and many of his stanchest friends are those who have known him from his boyhood to the present time.

WILLIAM A. KUHLMAN

William A. Kuhlman, owns and conducts a contractors' equipment and road equipment business under the name of William A. Kuhlman & Company, and by reason of what he has accomplished Toledo must class him with her energetic and substantial business men. Moreover, he is a native son of the city, born August 17, 1868, his parents being Abrahard H. and Sophia (Harde) Kuhlman. The father was a native of Germany, who came to Toledo about 1835, when nineteen years of age. Here he entered the contracting business, giving his attention to the construction of buildings and since that date the family name has been associated with industrial and commercial activity in this city, covering a period of eighty-seven years.

William A. Kuhlman attended the Lutheran parochial school and the public schools of Toledo in the acquirement of his education, and he also early learned lessons of value concerning the worth of industry, economy and determination in the world's work. He has always employed these qualities in the conduct of his business affairs. His original position was that of clerk in a hardware store, in

which connection he was employed for five years. He afterward went on the road as a traveling salesman for a hardware house, which he thus represented for three years and on the expiration of that period, with the capital he acquired through his industry and economy, he entered the hardware business on his own account and conducted the store until 1912, building up one of the substantial enterprises of that character in Toledo. In the year just stated he turned his attention to the equipment and engineering business and is now engaged in handling contractors' equipment and road equipment under the firm style of William A. Kuhlman & Company.

Mr. Kuhlman belongs to the Contractors and Builders Associations and is also a member of the Exchange Club, of the Chamber of Commerce, and of the Toledo Builders Exchange. Fraternally he is connected with the Masons and the Knights of Pythias. He enjoys boating and fishing, whereby he gains needed rest and recreation from the onerous cares of a substantial and growing business.

HARRY RAINEY DE VORE

Harry Rainey De Vore, a native son of Toledo, is prominently identified with the grain business and is a member of a family which for many years has conducted extensive operations in this field of activity and which has made large contribution to the industrial development and upbuilding of the city. He was born December 14, 1879, of the marriage of Henry W. and Clara (Rainey) De Vore, the former a native of Erie county, Pennsylvania, while the latter was born near Vermilion, Ohio. When twenty-one years of age the father came to the Buckeye state and in Toledo he entered the grain business in association with his uncle. Later H. W. De Vore & Company was organized, this being the outgrowth of Henry D. Walbridge & Company and Henry W. De Vore continued active in its conduct for a number of years, building up a business of large proportions. He is now living retired in Toledo. The mother has passed away, her demise occurring in this city in March, 1917. They became the parents of two children: Eva E., deceased; and Harry Rainey.

In the public schools of his native city Harry R. De Vore acquired his education and when nineteen years of age he became associated with his father in the grain business, being admitted to a partnership in 1911. He has a comprehensive understanding of every phase of the business and has worked untiringly and effectively to broaden the scope of the undertaking, which has long occupied a position of prominence in connection with the grain trade of the Maumee valley, the business methods of the house having ever commended it to the confidence and support of the public.

Mr. De Vore was married in this city on the 22d of August, 1901, to Miss Anne Florence Thompson, who was born in Toledo, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Thompson. Mr. Charles H. Thompson filled the position of supervisor of music in the public schools. Mr. and Mrs. De Vore have become the parents of two children: Robert Thompson, who was born in 1905 and is now in his senior year at the Scott high school, class of '23; and Henry W. Jr., who was born in 1908 and is now a student at Scott high school, class of '26.

Mr. De Vore is independent in his political views, placing the qualifications of a candidate above party ties. He is a director of the Toledo Produce Exchange, of which he served as vice president in 1918 and 1919, and in the following year

(1920) he was chosen president, also filling that office for the year 1921. He is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association and through his connection with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce he is promoting the industrial development and prosperity of the city. He is identified with the Masonic fraternity, while the nature of his recreation is indicated by his membership with the Toledo Golf Club. He is a forceful, energetic and capable business man whose work sustains the enterprising spirit that has long been synonymous with the family name in Toledo, and that his life has been an exemplary one in all respects is shown in the fact that those who have known him from boyhood to the present time entertain for him the highest respect and esteem. His residence is at No. 2233 Glenwood avenue.

FRANK JACOBI, A. B., M. A., M. D., F. A. C. S., Opth. D.

The tendency of the age has been towards specialization and following this line Dr. Frank Jacobi of Toledo has concentrated his efforts upon diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, in which department of practice he has made steady advancement until his reputation is an enviable one. Born in Toledo, on the 2d of April, 1872, he is a son of John J. and Josephine (Young) Jacobi, the latter a daughter of Michael Young, who became one of the pioneer residents of Stark county, Ohio, identified with the development and upbuilding of that section from an early day until his demise. His wife also passed away in Stark county. Dr. Jacobi's father was born in Germany in 1839 and acquired his education in the public schools of that country, after which he sought the opportunities of the new world, arriving in Toledo in 1865. Here he engaged in merchant tailoring and afterward turned his attention to the operation of a brewery, in which he continued until his death in 1898. Politically he was a democrat and was prominent in the local councils of the party. For some years he served as a member of the workhouse board. His religious faith was that of the Roman Catholic church. His wife was born in Massillon, Stark county, Ohio, in 1849, and still makes her home in Toledo. In their family were nine children, six of whom are living.

Frank Jacobi obtained his education in the public schools of Toledo, which he attended to the age of twelve years and then entered Canisius College at Buffalo, New York, where he pursued his studies for six years. In the spring of 1895 he was graduated from the medical department of the State University of Michigan and in order to advance still farther in his chosen calling and render his service of the greatest benefit to his fellowmen, he went abroad and for two years pursued special courses of study in various medical centers of Europe.

With his return to Toledo, Dr. Jacobi here began practice and after a brief period he withdrew from general practice to give his attention to diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. His exhaustive study and research along these lines have brought his skill to a high point of efficiency and he is recognized as one of the foremost oculists and aurists of northwestern Ohio. He is now serving on the staff of St. Vincent's Hospital and Lucas County Hospital, in addition to caring for a large private practice. He belongs to the Academy of Medicine, Ohio State Medical Society, the American Medical Association, the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Oto-Laryngology and the American College of Surgeons.

In July, 1901, Dr. Jacobi was united in marriage to Miss Nellie Raitz, a native

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daughter of Toledo, her parents being Frederick and Shaal Raitz. Dr. Jacobi adheres to the religious faith in which he was reared, that of the Roman Catholic church, and he also belongs to the Knights of Columbus. He has a wide acquaintance in Toledo, where his life has been passed and his capability in the profession, as well as his personal qualities have gained him popularity and high regard among his fellow townsmen.

EMIL THEODORE KOEPP

Emil Theodore Koepp, president of the United Merchandise Company, wholesale dealers in paper, paper bags, twines, notions, woodenware, etc., in Toledo, is one of the young business men of the city who, actuated by laudable ambition and a progressive spirit, is moving steadily forward to the goal of success. He was born in this city, February 4, 1892, and is a son of Emil T. and Bertha (Reiter) Koepp, the father a dealer in meats. The son obtained his education in the public schools of Toledo and then became associated with his father in business, continuing with him until the latter's death. He afterward engaged in the meat business on his own account and was so engaged until August, 1918, when he enlisted for service in the World war, becoming a private in the Three Hundred and Seventh Motor Transport Corps, with which he remained until discharged on the 17th of March, 1919. He afterward became one of the organizers of the United Merchandise Company for the purpose of conducting a wholesale business in paper, paper bags, twines, notions, woodenware and similar merchandise, and in July 1920, he was elected president and general manager of the corporation. The other officers of the concern are: Max Woodka, vice president; H. D. Snyder, secretary; and Leo S. Kozlowski, treasurer. They incorporated for one hundred thousand dollars, Mr. Koepp being the principal stockholder. They are confining their activities to northwestern Ohio, as they realize the large field there is for their product in that district. Mr. Koepp has proven himself a capable executive and enjoys the respect of all who know him. The business has been established on a very substantial basis and is enjoying a steady and gratifying growth.

Mr. Koepp belongs to the Toledo Tennis Club and greatly enjoys the game. He is also identified with the Masonic fraternity and he belongs to Argonne Post of the American Legion, thus maintaining pleasant relationship with those who, like himself, wore the khaki uniform of the nation during the struggle to suppress German militarism and promote the cause of world democracy.

CARL S. LANDGRAF

Carl S. Landgraf, a member of one of the old and prominent families of Toledo, is well known in mercantile circles of the city as secretary and treasurer of the J. W. Greene Company, dealers in musical instruments, and is recognized as an enterprising and progressive business man whose efforts are resultant factors in whatever he undertakes. He was born in Fremont, Ohio, January 16, 1880, and his parents were John and Anna C. (Howe) Landgraf, the former a native of New York state and the latter of Ohio. In early life the father came to the Buckeye

state, settling at Toledo during the early '80s, and he became connected with transportation interests. He was auditor for the Ohio Central Railroad for a number of years, and was widely and favorably known in business circles of the city. His death occurred in Toledo in 1914. The mother is still a resident of this city. In their family were two children: Mrs. Joseph W. Young, whose husband is a prominent physician of Toledo; and Carl S.

Carl S. Landgraf acquired his education in the public schools of his native city and on starting out in life for himself he decided to adopt the line of work in which his father had specialized, becoming auditor of disbursements for the Ohio Central Railroad Company. For fifteen years he was connected with that corporation, tendering his resignation in 1915, and has since been secretary and treasurer of the J. W. Greene Company, one of the leading music houses of Toledo, handling the Mason-Hamlin and Chickering pianos and Victor talking machines and records. His cooperation and keen sagacity have stimulated the development of the trade and he is bending every energy toward furthering the success of the business, which is one of large proportions.

On the 17th of September, 1917, Mr. Landgraf was united in marriage to Miss Ruth I. Reynolds, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Reynolds of this city. In politics Mr. Landgraf maintains an independent attitude, voting for the man whom he considers best qualified for office, regardless of party ties, and he is a member of the Inverness and Commerce clubs. In the management of his business affairs he has displayed marked capability, enterprise and determination and the years have chronicled his progress along lines which lead to success. He is highly regarded in business circles of the city and has many friends whose esteem he has won and retained by reason of his high principles and fine personal qualities.

IRVING WIGHTMAN COLBURN

In the passing of Irving Wightman Colburn on the 4th of September, 1917, there was lost to the glass industry of Toledo and the world the mind of a truly constructive genius, of a man who thought and worked in terms of glass and who lived to know that the value of his life work was so great that his invention of a process of drawing sheet glass was an unqualified success, to the extent of revolutionizing the methods used in the glass industry up to the time of the perfection of his process.

Mr. Colburn was born in Fitchburg, Massachusetts, in 1861, the son of Henry Joseph and Eliza Ann (Siner) Colburn. His ancestry was English, and through the maternal side was descended from Governor William Bradford, who came over in the Mayflower. Those of his mother were all engaged in the manufacture of fabrics and of his father were of an inventive or mathematical turn of mind. Early in the history of the state of Massachusetts we find three Colburn brothers, Warren, Joseph and Richard, living in the manufacturing city of Lowell, Massachusetts. Warren became noted as a mathematician—the author of Colburn's arithmetic, which is known throughout the United States. Joseph and Richard became employed by the Merrimack Manufacturing Company, owners of the Merrimack Print Works and the pioneer fabric makers of Lowell, of which Warren Colburn was at this time president. Their activities were along special lines and inventions, one of which was the watch clock so universally used by mill owners, shop owners

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and owners of great industries where the hourly service of a night watch is demanded, and was the first of its class. Of these brothers Joseph E. Colburn was the father of Henry Joseph Colburn. He was married September 22, 1833, to Ann W. Kimball of Derry, New Hampshire, and died March 5, 1840, leaving his wife and two children, Elvira A. and Henry Joseph Colburn, who was born February 22, 1838. For a time Henry lived in the family of a Mr. Combs, who was a brickmaker and owned large brickyards and many brickmaking machines. The Colburn mechanical instincts here began to be aroused and those brick machines became a living, throbbing part of his consciousness; and though a child of less than six years, he became so familiar with them that though he never saw another until over forty years of age, he could have made drawings and built duplicates almost from recollection. When thirteen years of age he went to live in the family of Samuel W. Brown, a mechanical engineer and inventor of considerable note who came to Lowell from Waltham and was the superintendent of the Boott Mills in Lowell. Under his supervision was the large machine shop and all the engineering work of this corporation. After attending school until the age of seventeen years, young Colburn went into the machine shop to learn the machinist's trade, becoming familiar with the process of making and repairing a large variety of machinery, especially for the manufacture of cotton. He was also employed on new and special inventions of Mr. Brown. In 1858 he moved to North Chelmsford, Massachusetts, where he was employed by the firm of Gag & Silver, who were then regarded as one of the most advanced machinery making firms in the country. Many of these were the inventions of Mr. Silver. On the 21st of March, 1859, he was married at Lowell to Eliza Ann Siner. Soon after their marriage they moved to Groton Junction, where was being manufactured Ericsson's famous hot air engine, in which Mr. Colburn engaged early in the year 1860. Later he moved his family to Fitchburg and engaged with the Putnam Machine Company in the manufacture of machinists' tools for about five years, when he became associated with a stock company whose business was the manufacture of woodworking machinery, in which he became the inventor and designer of many woodworking improvements which have been acknowledged to be the best of their kind. Mr. Colburn was president of the Fitchburg common council in 1874 and designed the Fitchburg city seal, which was accepted February 18, 1873. He was for many years superintendent of the Rollstone Machine Works. He came to Toledo in 1890 and was superintendent of the Baker Brothers factory for a number of years. His demise occurred on the 29th of June, 1902.

It was while the family resided in Fitchburg that Irving W. Colburn was born. At an early age he manifested an inventive turn of mind, giving his attention to electrical and mechanical engineering, manufacturing dynamos and electroplaters. He was one of the pioneers in the development of the telephone, the electric light and electroplating in the United States; he installed the first telephone in Fitchburg and also the first electric light. However, the bent of his mind led him into experimentations in the fashioning of glass by mechanical means and during the last twenty years of his life his attention was devoted exclusively to the development of glass-making processes, of which continuous sheet drawing became a hobby and attracted to him world-wide attention. In 1898, at Frankford, a suburb of Philadelphia, upwards of seventeen thousand dollars were spent developing ideas which proved to be impractical, but as a result of the money and labor expended, valuable facts regarding the relation of molten glass to mechanical means were ascertained. Leaving Frankford in 1908, he went to Franklin, Pennsylvania, and for a time

devoted his attention to a process for blowing tumblers and chimneys. It was while thus engaged that he conceived the idea of continuous sheet drawing, in which he was backed up by a number of prominent Franklin capitalists. Experimentations were carried on at Franklin for several years and a large amount of money was expended, against which the only financial return was the proceeds from about four thousand boxes of glass of an indifferent quality, which had been placed on the market. Feeling that better results could be obtained by the use of a larger melting tank, better lehr equipment, etc., operations were transferred to Reynoldsville, Pennsylvania, where a large melting tank formerly employed in the manufacture of handmade glass was remodeled and all necessary equipment put in for the manufacture of sheet drawn glass on a commercial basis. As at Franklin, unforeseen difficulties were encountered and after extensive experimentations, out of which came only about seven thousand boxes of marketable glass, Mr. Colburn's backers lost interest in the proposition, declined to continue to put up money and the plant was closed down never to resume. Shortly afterward, on the 6th of February, 1912, his patents were sold to a party who, it subsequently turned out, represented the Toledo business men who had developed the world-renowned Owens bottle-blowing machine. A specially constructed factory was built in Toledo for their development, and with Mr. Colburn, Mr. M. J. Owens and others directing operations, experimentations were started which proved sufficiently satisfactory to the moneyed men backing the enterprise to cause them, in 1916, to begin the erection of a two million dollar plant at Kanawha City, a suburb of Charleston, West Virginia, where several units have been in successful operation for five years. So far-reaching and so revolutionizing was the process found to be that already machines have been installed in Canada, Japan and elsewhere, and negotiations are pending for placing the machines in nearly every foreign glass-making country. Nothing which has ever been conceived of in the making of window glass even approximates the Colburn machine in value, and the surface of the possibilities of the machine has only been scratched. During much of the time while Mr. Colburn was experimenting with the principle which he felt must be successful, he met with but little encouragement from the glass fraternity, as his process was an entirely new departure from the existing methods and principles used in the art. However, his efforts were finally crowned with success and his process has become the basis on which the Libbey-Owens Sheet Glass Company of Toledo was founded. Mr. Colburn's process effects a great saving of labor and cost of manufacture. In the study of his problem Mr. Colburn attacked it from every conceivable side, expended large sums in experimenting, built and destroyed machine after machine and at last succeeded in building the first commercially successful apparatus for drawing sheet glass of any reasonable width and of any desired thickness, surface and polish. At the new plant there are no gatherers, blowers, snappers or flatteners. The cutters and the superintendents are the only skilled men employed and the cutters will some day be replaced by automatic devices. The essential novelty of Mr. Colburn's machine is to be found in the devices for drawing a sheet of uniform width from the melting pot, and the Scientific American supplement of May 16, 1908, devotes several pages to the intricacies of this marvelous process. Mr. Colburn's close application to the perfection of his process seriously impaired his health and he spent the winter of 1916 in California and Honolulu in search of health. Returning to Toledo in May, he decided to motor to his boyhood home in Fitchburg and the trip was undertaken but came to an end at Williamstown, Massachusetts, where he lay ill for eight weeks, when he was

brought back to Toledo; but he did not long survive the trip and his death occurred at his home at No. 111 Prescott street, at the age of fifty-six years. A pathetic feature of his passing—a man who had worked so hard, so intelligently and so faithfully to a given end—is that he at a premature age should enter the shadows on the very eve of the apparent successful culmination of his life's ambition. Socially he was a prince of good fellows. He was honorable and straightforward in all his dealings and will be sadly missed by a host of friends who had learned to love and respect him. He was a member of the Charles W. Moore Lodge, F. & A. M. at Fitchburg, Massachusetts, and a charter member of the Inverness Golf Club of Toledo. His political faith was in the republican party. While not a member of any church, he was broad-minded and generous and not bound by any creed. He is survived by his wife, Ida E. (Hamlin) Colburn, who belonged to a pioneer family of Toledo, and by four brothers.

WILLIAM ARTHUR MARTIN

In the main outlines the life record of an individual is largely similar to that of hundreds of others. It is in the detail that the variation is seen. Opportunity comes to all, but it is the man who keeps his eyes open, who is ambitious to succeed and who is not afraid to pay the price of success—the price of energetic and unfaltering effort—who ultimately reaches the goal of prosperity. The outstanding features in the life record of William Arthur Martin are such as have at all times commanded the respect and confidence of his fellowmen and today he is associated with two of the prominent commercial and manufacturing interests of Toledo as the treasurer of the Landers Brothers Company and also as treasurer of the American Buckram Weaving & Finishing Company.

A native of Prince Edward Island, Canada, William Arthur Martin was born in the city of Charlottetown on the 24th of February, 1873, and while spending his youthful days in the home of his parents, A. D. and Jane Martin, he attended the grade schools of his native city. He also enjoyed the advantage of three years' training in the Prince of Wales College in Canada and the further lessons of life he has learned in the school of experience, where he has been an apt pupil, readily mastering the lessons to be learned day by day. He is now a well known figure in wholesale and retail dry goods circles, having come to Toledo in 1908, since which time he has made his home in this city. Here he entered into active association with the Landers Brothers Company, prominent merchants of the city, and is now the treasurer and one of the directors of the corporation. After two years, or in 1910, he became one of the promoters of the American Buckram Weaving & Finishing Company, today controlling one of the important manufacturing concerns of the city, and through a period of more than twelve years he has been actively identified with both interests. Of the latter he is also treasurer and a director and his time and attention are largely given to constructive efforts, to administrative direction and to executive control.

On the 9th of October, 1902, Mr. Martin was married in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, to Miss Annie R. McClure, a daughter of J. B. and Sara McClure. They are members of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church and they have gained many warm friends in this city, their sterling worth of character constituting the key which has unlocked for them the hospitable doors of Toledo. Mr. Martin

is also identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and he belongs to the Toledo Automobile Club, to the Commerce Club, the Inverness Club, the Art Museum, the Optimist Club and to some of the trade organizations of the city, including the Toledo Credit Men's Association and the Transportation Club. His personal qualities make for popularity in all of these organizations and his sound judgment often constitutes an influential factor in management and control, or in shaping opinion concerning concerted action in these societies. The qualities which have most strongly dominated his career, however, are those sterling principles which have their root in the Christian religion and are manifest in fair treatment and honorable dealing with one's fellows at all times.

GEORGE BUTLER STORER

There are few men whose lives have touched more closely or helpfully many and varied interests in Toledo than did that of George Butler Storer, and yet in his entire career there was not one spectacular phase. Persistency of purpose, a ready recognition of opportunity and wise utilization of the chances that came to him, for the promotion of his own fortune and for the upbuilding of the community as well, gained for him the high position which he occupied in the regard of his fellow townsmen. There is much of inspirational value in his life story, as it indicates what may be accomplished through individual effort, intelligently directed.

George Butler Storer was born in Ohio, at Cuyahoga Falls, on the 1st of January, 1866. His life record spanned the intervening years to the 5th of December, 1920, when he passed away in Toledo. He was a son of Daniel Webster and Fannie C. (Butler) Storer, both of whom are deceased. He had one sister, Mrs. Grace Storer Langell, who resides in Anderson, Indiana. The ancestral history of the family can be traced back to Maine, where representatives of the name have been prominent in connection with the public interests of the state from early colonial times. The mother's people, too, were well known in connection with events that figure in the history of New England, and were among the early settlers of the Western Reserve in Ohio. The maternal great-grandmother of Mr. Storer was the first white child born in Summit county.

During the early boyhood of George Butler Storer his parents removed to Shelby, where he began his education, while later he attended a preparatory school and eventually entered Oberlin College, there completing his studies. With his return to Shelby he became associated in business with his father, who was the founder and the president of the Shelby Milling Company. In this connection an extensive business was developed, owing to the high quality of the products of the mill, and "Storer's Best" became one of the most popular brands of flour in that section of the country. The father remained in active connection with the business until 1888, when he retired and his son, George B. Storer, engaged for a time in the grain business at Pendleton, Indiana, and a paper mill at Anderson, Indiana. A little later he removed to Champaign, Illinois, where he established a plant of the Twin City Ice & Cold Storage Company, developing this into one of the large and profitable business enterprises of that locality. He also became identified with other commercial interests of Champaign and was regarded as one of the fore-

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most business men of that city, alert and energetic, ready for any emergency and for any opportunity.

When a vacancy occurred in the office of the secretary of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, representative business men here induced Mr. Storer to come to this city and accept the position. He soon gave evidence that the faith reposed in him was well placed. He brought to the performance of his new duties indefatigable energy, broad vision and high ideals, and in the organization of the work of the Chamber of Commerce and the prompt execution and extension of its plans, Mr. Storer accomplished great good, reaching out along lines of constantly broadening usefulness and service. He proved the need of bringing about the amalgamation of several civic bodies with the main organization, thus avoiding duplication and waste of effort and giving the Chamber greater influence and powers. His conception of the responsibilities and opportunities of a city commercial organization extended far beyond the range of mere business, and under his leadership the Chamber of Commerce entered the fields of charity, education and civic development. While filling the position of secretary he conceived and developed the idea of the King Wamba Carnival, which was so successfully held under the auspices of the society in 1909. The carnival plot was based on an old Spanish story connected with Toledo, Spain, and the affair was one of the most interesting and spectacular things ever produced in this city. For four years Mr. Storer continued to act as secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, and then resigned in order to give his attention to private business interests, becoming identified with the Standard Steel Tube Company of Toledo, which he reorganized and of which he became president and general manager. He held these offices at the time of his death. His executive ability, his initiative and his enterprise enabled him to achieve remarkable results in this connection, and his business ability and integrity made it one of the most favorably known tube companies of the country.

On the 16th of March, 1887, Mr. Storer was married to Miss Mabel M. Mozier of Mt. Gilead, Morrow county, Ohio, a daughter of David Carson and Martha (Rishtine) Mozier, representatives of prominent pioneer families of Morrow county, both of whom, however, are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Storer became the parents of three children: Frances Louise, who married John Harold Ryan of Toledo; Martha Grace, the wife of Convers Goddard of Chicago; and George Butler, who resides with his mother, and who succeeded his father as president and general manager of the Standard Steel Tube Company.

A biographer of Mr. Storer wrote of him: "Though essentially a business man, and remarkably successful in the enterprises to which he directed his efforts, Mr. Storer did not believe in confining his efforts solely to financial affairs, and his mind found relaxation in other interests, in which he was equally successful. Probably his greatest hobby was his library, which was unique and most interesting. He was especially interested in American history and his collection of books bearing on this subject was wonderfully complete, including many rare volumes. Besides the general subject of American history, he was collecting material on the history of individual states. His library reveals his discriminating taste and judgment. Mr. Storer was not only a collector of books, but a reader also, and possessed a vast fund of accurate information on a wide range of topics. He was an intense lover of nature and found his greatest enjoyment out-of-doors. He was fond of landscape gardening and showed a decided talent for this ordinarily difficult art. The summer home of the family is at Sentinel Point, on the Maumee river near Toledo, one of the historic spots in this section, which during the War of

1812 was known as Battery Point. In laying out, planning and beautifying these grounds Mr. Storer carried out his own ideas, and Sentinel Point became one of the beauty spots of the locality. At this place he spent some of his most enjoyable days. He was an active member of the First Congregational church of Toledo, and was a trustee of the Young Men's Christian Association, in the activities of which he took an interested part, especially in the boys' work. The camp at Stony Lake, Michigan, was named Camp Storer in his honor. Besides his membership in the Chamber of Commerce, he was a member of the Toledo Club, the Rotary Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, the Country Club of Toledo and the Detroit Athletic Club, as well as the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States.

"During the World war Mr. Storer bent his every effort to the furtherance of all local measures for the support of the government, being a member of the Council of National Defense and a liberal supporter of the Red Cross. He was generous in his support of all charitable and benevolent enterprises, but was characteristically modest and unostentatious in his giving. He was never heard to boast of his successes or his accomplishments, but derived the keenest pleasure from his ability to assist in the advancement of the community along any legitimate line. As an evidence of the high appreciation in which he was held, the following quotation is given from resolutions passed by the board of trustees of the Young Men's Christian Association: 'Whereas, it has pleased an all-wise Providence to remove from an earthly scene of splendid usefulness and activity, our respected and beloved coworker, George B. Storer, and Whereas, we are faced by the certainty of sorely missing his farsighted, friendly and wise counsel, looking to the performance of public duties and the fulfilling of large and important community needs, and Whereas, in this community loss we shall inevitably feel the grief of a personal bereavement, in view of our appreciation of the true and upstanding character of this man; Be it resolved that we, the members of the board of trustees of the Young Men's Christian Association, do declare in these resolutions our sense of loss; and Be it resolved further, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the regular minutes of this meeting and a copy sent also to the family of our departed colleague.'"

A most deserved, fitting and beautiful tribute paid to Mr. Storer by the directors of the Standard Steel Tube Company is appended herewith: "Mr. Storer was the dominating spirit of the Standard Steel Tube Company from the day he first became connected with the company. He was elected vice president, treasurer and general manager on January 8, 1912; on January 4, 1915, he was elected president and manager; on July 29, 1917, he was elected treasurer, and on July 8, 1918, he was elected president, treasurer and general manager, offices which he held until the time of his death. He gave to this company the highest services of which he was capable. He was possessed of an unusually active mind and by temperament never ceased working and looking forward for better things. While he was careful and cautious, his ideas were progressive. He was never satisfied with anything short of real success, which he attained. He was justly proud of the record and standing of his company in manufacturing circles.

"In paying loving tribute to the memory of George B. Storer, the directors of the Standard Steel Tube Company are imbued with a feeling of personal loss that seems irreparable. During all the years through which he served so faithfully and well as an officer and in this directorate, his unfailing courtesy, his genial kindliness, his broadminded outlook on men and things, endeared him to all of his

associates, each one of whom was proud to be called his friend. Always a potent factor in the growth and development of the best in civic life, the influence of his sterling character, his devotion to family and friends, his unstinted service to his city, his church and his social obligations, ever will be remembered with grateful appreciation by the people among whom he spent the later part of his useful, unselfish and eminently successful life."

PRATT EMERY TRACY

Pratt Emery Tracy, president of the Air-Way Electric Appliance Corporation, one of the city's highly prosperous and widely known industrial organizations, occupies a position of prominence in manufacturing circles.

Mr. Tracy is a native of Toledo, born December 31, 1885, and is a son of Thomas H. Tracy, senior member of the law firm of Tracy, Chapman & Welles, and one of the foremost corporation lawyers of the middle west.

Pratt Emery Tracy received his education in the public schools of Toledo and later continued his education in the Phillips Exeter Academy and in Oberlin College. Early in his business career, by reason of his thorough educational training and ready adaptability, he became superintendent of the wholesale department of the Brown, Eager & Hull Company, dealers in notions, toys, etc. He remained with that house for two years and on the expiration of that period felt that his capital and experience justified his embarking in business on his own account. He became one of the organizers of the Gross & Tracy Photo Supply Company, of which he was secretary and treasurer. He was then active in the successful management and conduct of the business until 1915, when he sold his interest therein and formed other commercial connections by becoming president of the Toledo Screw Products Company, with which he remained during the World war period, the company being engaged in government work during that time. After the war his company formed a merger with the Arrow Manufacturing Company, resulting in the establishment of the Air-Way Electric Appliance Corporation, manufacturers of vacuum sweepers, electric appliances and radio equipment. Of the new organization Mr. Tracy became the president and remains the executive head of the business, which has developed with notable rapidity until its annual sales are now most extensive.

On the 12th of May, 1909, was celebrated the marriage of Pratt E. Tracy and Miss Katharine Crowfoot of Troy, Ohio, whose parents were Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Crowfoot, well known residents of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Tracy have two children: Virginia; and Richard Pratt, born May 13, 1922, in Toledo, Ohio.

Mr. Tracy is nationally known as a sportsman, particularly in connection with the ownership of fine blooded horses. He has won many blue ribbons at horse shows throughout the country, possessing some of the most valuable stock placed on exhibit. He is well known in club circles, having membership in the Toledo Club and in the Rotary Club, and he is also connected with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. In politics he is a republican and fraternally is identified with the Masons, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church.

Mr. Tracy's well directed efforts have resulted in the development of a manufacturing industry which is of direct value and benefit to the city as well as a source of individual prosperity. Mr. Tracy's residence comprises a seven-acre tract on the

Maumee river, just below old Fort Miami. The residence, of colonial design, is situated on a knoll, commanding an excellent view of Fort Meigs, as well as a broad view down the river.

ELMER HARRY CLOSE

Toledo's development has been largely stimulated, directed and promoted by her real estate men and foremost in this class is Elmer Harry Close, whose activities have been not only a most substantial contribution to the final results but most comprehensive and valuable as well. His commanding position in real estate circles and his increasing business has made him one of the most successful real estate men in Toledo. Mr. Close was born in Bellevue, Ohio, December 9, 1875, and is a son of Joseph W. and Gertrude (Hannum) Close. His father was engaged in the grain trade in Bellevue and later he devoted his attention to the insurance business in Duluth, Minnesota, whence he came to Toledo, arriving in this city during the early boyhood of his son Elmer, who largely acquired his early education in the public schools of this city. Later he became a student in the University of Michigan and his college training has constituted the broad basis on which he has developed his success in later years. He was first identified with the insurance business in Duluth, Minnesota, and in 1897, in Toledo, he entered into partnership with George E. Pomeroy in the real estate business. They were thus associated for twelve years and it was while thus engaged that Mr. Close became identified with the development of subdivisions, one of his first being Harvard Terrace, near Walbridge Park.

In January, 1909, Mr. Close withdrew from the partnership relation and organized the E. H. Close Realty Company, of which he has since been president and treasurer. Several of the employes of the company, recognizing that Mr. Close was a "coming man" in real estate, preferred to continue in his employ and many of the clients of the firm also continued to give him their patronage. With the organization of the new company he entered upon a systematic and comprehensive plan of advertising and it is said that almost every fence and barnyard wall in Toledo carried his placards until the name of the firm was almost a household word. There are few that approach and still fewer who equal Mr. Close in the extent and importance of his realty work in connection with the actual development and improvement of the city. He has platted and developed fifteen hundred acres in and near Toledo. In addition to Harvard Terrace he has placed upon the market Ottawa Hills, Homewood Park and Home Acres and he has constructed hundreds of residences in this city. Large and unsightly vacancies he has transformed into beautiful residential districts and in the downtown section of Toledo are seen many splendid structures whose transfer of ownership has been promoted by Mr. Close. He erected a large office building known as the Close building, at Nos. 513 and 515 Madison avenue, having his own office on the ground floor. While he has built up a most excellent business organization and has a large number of employes, he is always approachable and ready to talk business with any client or prospective purchaser and this is one of the strong elements in his success. During his connection of more than a quarter of a century with the real estate business in Toledo he has acquired a wonderfully intimate knowledge of realty values and his judgment of such carries as much or more significance

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than that of any other man in Toledo. He is a member of the National Association of Real Estate Exchanges and he belongs to the Toledo Real Estate Board, of which he has formerly served as president. Among his other business connections Mr. Close is a director in the Commerce Guardian Trust & Savings Bank and at all times he is wide-awake, alert and energetic, ready for any emergency and for any opportunity.

In October, 1898, at Ann Arbor, Michigan, Mr. Close was united in marriage to Miss Nell Kempf, a daughter of Hon. Reuben Kempf of that city, and they have two children, Susanne Gertrude and Joseph H. Mr. Close is a member of the Commerce Club and he belongs also to the Toledo Club, the Country Club, the Toledo Yacht Club and the Inverness Club. He finds his greatest pleasure on the water and is the owner of a big lake cruiser, the Tillicum. Mrs. Close is an active worker in the Trinity church. Mr. Close supports all projects and enterprises promoted by the Chamber of Commerce for the city's upbuilding and development and for the advancement of those interests which are a matter of civic virtue and of civic pride. In politics he is a republican and, while never an office seeker, he has ever endorsed those well defined projects which have to do with city planning and the systematic and harmonious development of Toledo along the lines of beauty as well as utility. A notable record of success is his and an analyzation into his career shows that his prosperity is the direct outcome of clean business methods, close application, keen insight and a thorough understanding of every phase of the business to which he gives his attention. Mr. Close's residence is on Ridgewood road, Ottawa Hills.

ISAAC KINSEY, JR.

Isaac Kinsey, Jr., of the firm of Kinsey & McMahon, one of Toledo's well known investment security houses, has achieved an enviable place in business circles. He was born in Toledo, July 7, 1894, a son of Isaac and Katherine (Menzies) Kinsey. His father, now retired from active business, is one of the city's successful business men.

During a portion of his youth Isaac Kinsey, Jr., lived in Dayton, Ohio, where he attended the public schools and continued his education in the high school of Toledo. He afterward entered the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, where he was graduated with the class of 1916. He then started out in the business world with the export sales department of The Willys-Overland Company, with which he was thus associated for fifteen months. At the time of the World war he entered the Officers' Training Camp and was commissioned a second lieutenant in August, 1917. He was then sent to the Artillery Training School in France and assigned to duty with the One Hundred and Third Field Artillery of the Twenty-sixth Division. He spent eighteen months in France and received his discharge on the 15th of April, 1919, so that he is now numbered among the veteran officers of the great international struggle.

With his return to his native country Mr. Kinsey again became connected with the Overland in the sales department of Toledo and continued to act in that capacity for sixteen months. Later he entered the investment bond business. The firm of Kinsey & McMahon includes Lewis P. Kinsey and Isaac Kinsey, Jr., of Toledo, and George P. McMahon of Detroit, senior partners; and J. Dwyer Kinnucan and

John F. Reynolds of Detroit, junior partners. The Detroit office is at No. 618 Penobscot building. The firm enjoys an unassailable reputation for reliability as well as progressiveness and the sound judgment of its members enables them to pass with accuracy upon the value of investment securities.

On the 3d of November, 1919, Mr. Kinsey was married to Miss Phyllis Bigelow of Toledo and they have one son, Isaac (III), born September 7, 1920. Mr. Kinsey is a loyal follower of Masonic teachings and he belongs to the Toledo Post of the American Legion, of which he was elected commander for the year 1922. He also has membership in the Toledo Country Club, in the Kiwanis Club and in the Chamber of Commerce.

ROBERT A. STRANAHAN

With the establishment of the Champion Spark Plug Company in Toledo, Robert A. Stranahan became an active factor in the business life of this city and the constant development of his powers and the extension of his commercial connections have brought him to an enviable place in the front ranks of those who control the commercial and financial destinies of northwestern Ohio. Forceful and resourceful, his activities have ever been of a constructive character, resulting in the building of important enterprises, which make substantial contribution to the notable growth and prosperity of the community.

It was in 1910 that Mr. Stranahan became a resident of Toledo, previous to which time his residence had largely been maintained in New England. He was born, however, in Buffalo, New York, on the 7th of July, 1886. His father, Robert A. Stranahan, was at one time proprietor of the Genesee Hotel at Buffalo and subsequently of the famous Tremont House at Boston, Massachusetts. His death occurred in Sharon, Massachusetts, in 1898. The mother, who bore the maiden name of Elizabeth Whitehill, is a resident of Brookline, Massachusetts.

Robert A. Stranahan attended the public schools of Boston and of Brookline and subsequently was graduated from Harvard College with the Bachelor of Arts degree as a member of the class of 1908, having set a new record for the university by taking the regular four years' course in two and a half years. His first position after leaving college was in the office of George Dill, a realtor, but later in the same year he became interested in automobile parts and began the manufacture of magnetos, spark plugs, coils, etc., so essential to the locomotion of automobiles. In 1910, associated with his brother, Frank D. Stranahan, and his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Stranahan, he organized the Champion Spark Plug Company and in the same year removed the business to Toledo, where he has since operated, developing in this one of the important productive industries of the city. Aside from being the active president of the Champion Spark Plug Company Mr. Stranahan is also a director of the Woolson Spice Company of Toledo, president of the Champion Porcelain Company and a director of the Columbia Motors Company of Detroit, president of the Champion Spark Plug Company of Canada, Limited, of Windsor, Ontario, and president of the Jeffery-Dewitt Insulator Company of Kenova, West Virginia. His business interests thus cover a wide territory and have assumed a large importance with the passing years and success has enabled him to extend his investments. His opinions are ever regarded as a valuable asset

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in the capable control of the various corporations with which he is identified, for his judgment is sound and discriminating.

Mr. Stranahan has been married twice. On the 3d of June, 1908, he wedded Agnes McColl of Brooklyn, New York, and they became the parents of five children: Elsie, Nancy, Dorcas, Robert and Marcia. Following a legal separation from his first wife Mr. Stranahan was married on the 18th of March, 1920, to Page Ellyson Lewis of Danville, Virginia, and they have one son, Frank Richard, born August 5, 1922, in New York. Mr. Stranahan is a member of the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club, the Country Club, the Sylvania Golf Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, the Toledo Rotary Club, the Toledo Automobile Club, the Commerce Club and the Chamber of Commerce of the United States at Washington, D. C. He is also identified with the Masonic fraternity, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, is a member of Toledo Commandery, K. T., and of the Mystic Shrine. He is also well known through connection with business organizations, including the Society of Automotive Engineers and in 1921 he served as president of the Automotive Equipment Association, which numbers in its membership practically all of the leading automotive manufacturers and jobbers in the United States with headquarters in Chicago. His personal qualities and his business capacity have thus brought him to leadership in this field, his opinions carrying weight in the organization and among those who are connected with similar industrial lines.

NORMAN E. HASCALL

Norman E. Hascall, the secretary and general manager of the J. J. Freeman Company, jewelers of Toledo, was born in Goshen, Elkhart county, Indiana, March 28, 1863, and is a son of Melvin Barns and Mary Emily (Moore) Hascall, who were natives of the states of New York and Vermont, respectively. In early life the parents went to Indiana and were pioneers of Elkhart county, where for many years the father successfully engaged in merchandising, there remaining to the time of his death. His widow is still living and has reached the advanced age of eighty-nine years.

In his youthful days Norman E. Hascall attended the public schools until he reached his thirteenth year, pursuing his studies in his native city but at that time the urge of necessity forced him out into the business world, as he was obliged to assist in the support of the family. He became an apprentice to the jeweler's trade in an establishment at Goshen, Indiana. Later he came to Toledo, where he entered the employ of J. J. Freeman, with whom he continued as an employe until 1908, when the business was incorporated and he became secretary and general manager, which position he has since occupied, while his connection with the house dates from 1885. There is no phase of the jewelry trade with which he is not thoroughly familiar and his enterprise and progressive methods have been dominant elements in the continued success of the undertaking. They have a well appointed store and carry a large and carefully selected line of jewelry, while their reasonable prices and honorable business methods have been dominant features in the attainment of their present-day prosperity.

On the 24th of June, 1891, Mr. Hascall was united in marriage to Miss Flora Alice Freeman of Toledo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Freeman. They have become parents of two children: Norman, born in Toledo, was educated in the

schools of this city and in Denison University and is now engaged in the jewelry business with his father and maternal grandfather. He is descended from ancestors who served in the Revolutionary war and his paternal grandfather was a member of the Forty-eighth Indiana Regiment during the Civil war and won the commission of colonel. It is not strange, therefore, that Norman Hascall, Jr., responded to the call for troops during the World war, and was commissioned a second lieutenant of the Thirty-seventh Division, while later he was promoted to the rank of first lieutenant. He served in the Meuse-Argonne and in the Ypres-Lys offensives. His valor and loyalty were many times demonstrated and he received honorable mention as well as the French War Cross. Following the close of the war he received his discharge at Chillicothe and returned to Toledo, where he is now connected with the J. J. Freeman Company. He married Miss Leonora Strassburger of St. Louis, Missouri, on the 11th of February, 1922. The daughter, Suzanne Hascall, born in Toledo in 1902, is now attending the Smead school.

Mr. Hascall of this review is well known in club circles, belonging to the Toledo, the Toledo Country and the Inverness Golf clubs. Fraternally he is identified with the Masons and has always proven a faithful follower of the teachings and the high purposes of the craft since becoming a member of the order. He belongs to the Sons of the American Revolution and is also a valued member of the Retail Merchants Association, of which he has been elected president annually for the past three years, a fact which proves conclusively that he has made an excellent presiding officer and one who has greatly furthered the aims of the organization. He ranks with the prominent and representative merchants of the city, actuated at all times by a progressive spirit and his position of prosperity is in marked contrast to his financial status when at the age of thirteen years he started out in life to provide for his own support. His success has come as the direct reward of his own efforts and labor and his example is indeed well worthy of emulation.

JACOB J. FREEMAN

An integral chapter in the history of Toledo is that written by the life work of Jacob J. Freeman, one of the pioneer jewelers of the city and long accounted one of the foremost merchants and business men here. He has passed the seventy-third milestone on life's journey, but is still active in commercial circles and his life record should put to shame many a man of much younger years, who, grown weary of the struggles and trials of business life, would relegate to others the burdens that he should bear. Mr. Freeman has achieved success through earnest purpose, close application and unremitting diligence. He was born in Crawford county, Pennsylvania, September 21, 1849, and is a son of Samuel and Hanna (Heitz) Freeman, who were also natives of the Keystone state, whence they removed to Oxford in northern Wisconsin. The father there became a prominent figure in the community, engaging in school teaching and also conducting stores at Oxford and at Sun Prairie, Wisconsin, his last days being spent in the latter place. The mother afterward removed to Aurora, Illinois, where she made her home with a daughter.

Jacob J. Freeman went to Michigan City, Indiana, in young manhood, where he entered a machine shop, having decided to learn the machinist's trade. After a brief period, however, he gave up work of that character, as he did not find it

a congenial occupation. He then secured a position in a bank, where he worked for his board until September, 1869, when he came to Toledo. He had previously started to learn the jeweler's and watchmaker's trade in Michigan City, Indiana, and after reaching Toledo he secured a position in which he completed the trade and for several years continued to work for others along that line. He carefully saved his earnings until his industry and economy had brought him sufficient capital to enable him to establish business on his own account, which he did on the 1st of March, 1877, opening a very small store with a limited stock. Through the intervening years, however, he has developed this into the present magnificent establishment of The J. J. Freeman Company, of which he is the president. This is today Toledo's leading jewelry house and employment is there furnished to more than forty people. The store contains an extensive and carefully selected line of jewelry and precious gems, Libbey cut glass, china and fancy goods, the latter of both domestic and foreign manufacture and the splendid line carried and the attractive arrangement of the store as well as the reasonable prices, have secured to the firm a most liberal and gratifying patronage. Year by year the business has grown and developed until, exceeding all other establishments in this line in Toledo, it has for a number of years been the leading jewelry house of the city.

In 1870 Mr. Freeman was united in marriage to Miss Alice Freeman and they have become parents of two children: Flora A., educated in the high school of Toledo and in Radford Academy, is now the wife of Norman E. Hascall, secretary and general manager of The J. J. Freeman Company and they have two children, Norman F., and Suzanne; the son, Reno S., born in Toledo, after completing his educational training here, attended the Peekskill Military Academy at Peekskill, New York. He is treasurer of The J. J. Freeman Company. He married Miss Esther McMillan, who was born in Clinton, Missouri, and died in Tucson, Arizona, December 24, 1921.

Mr. Freeman has voted with the republican party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise and has ever been a loyal follower of its principles but never a seeker for public office. Fraternally he is connected with the Knights of Pythias, with the National Union and with the Masons. Mr. Freeman is a member of the First Baptist church, and has been Sunday school superintendent for the past thirty years. He is at all times a loyal follower of the teachings and purposes of these organizations. His has been a most creditable record, for through the years he has been the architect of his own fortune and has builded wisely and well. His entire course has been marked by constructive effort and his path has at no time been strewn with the wreck of other men's fortunes. He has labored diligently, intelligently and perseveringly for the success which is his and the most envious cannot grudge him his prosperity, so worthily has it been won and so wisely used.

MALCOLM HOWARD SMITH

Malcolm Howard Smith, a veteran of the World war, who is now conducting business as the head of the M. H. Smith Lithographing Company, was born February 20, 1896, in Toledo, where he yet makes his home, his parents being Howard Mandeville and Ida (Howard) Smith, who are also natives of Toledo, where the father is engaged in lumber manufacturing.

The son, Malcolm Howard Smith, attended the public schools and was one of the first graduates of the New Scott high school. When his textbooks were put aside he turned to the business world for the opportunities therein presented. He secured a position in the clerical department of the Willys-Overland Company and was thus employed until after America entered the World war. In 1917 he enlisted in the artillery department as a member of Battery A, One hundred and Thirty-fifth Field Artillery, becoming a private but winning promotion to the rank of second lieutenant. He was sent overseas in June, 1918, and from the 12th to the 23d of October was on active duty in the Troyon sector and from the 28th of October to the 11th of November was on duty in the St. Mihiel sector in France, receiving his discharge on the 9th of April, 1919, about six months after the war closed. With his return to his native land and city Mr. Smith organized the M. H. Smith Lithographing Company, of which he is the president. In this connection a substantial business has been developed, now giving employment to twenty-five people and high grade work is turned out.

On the 2d of March, 1918, Malcolm H. Smith was united in marriage to Miss Frances Eleanor Southard of Toledo and they have a son, Junior. Mr. Smith belongs to the Rotary Club, a fact that establishes his position as a representative member of the lithographing profession. He belongs to the Country Club, also to the Carranor Hunt and Polo Club and he is likewise a member of the American Legion. He is also a captain of the Toledo Troop of Cavalry, Headquarters 107, and thus maintains an active interest in military affairs. Thoroughness and system in his work, combined with an enterprising spirit, are makng for steady advancement in his business life, while the sterling traits of his character are continually leading to extension of his circle of friends.

IRA GARRETT WINEGAR

Ira G. Winegar, secretary and treasurer of the Ohio & Michigan Paper Company, is one of Toledo's representative business men whose connection with the wholesale paper trade dates back nearly thirty years and includes comprehensive experiences in almost every branch of the business. Mr. Winegar was born on a farm in Vergens township, Kent county, Michigan, February 24, 1875, his parents being Ashabel and Mary (Roberts) Winegar, the former a farmer by occupation.

Ira G. Winegar spent his youthful days on the old homestead farm, early becoming familiar with the duties and tasks that fell to the farm bred boy of forty years ago. He was but four years of age when his father died and was a lad of only thirteen years when his mother passed away, both parents being fifty-two years of age when called to their final rest. Ira G. Winegar at that early age started out to provide for his own living in the only line of business with which he was familiar, working as a farm hand. He was thus employed through the succeeding five years, beginning his tasks in the fields at the time of early spring planting and continuing until crops were harvested in the late autumn. During the winter months, he had the opportunity of attending school and thus acquired the education which has constituted the foundation for his later advancement. He came to Toledo in 1893, when a youth of eighteen, and spent one year here. He next went to Detroit, Michigan, where he secured employment in a wholesale paper

IRA G. WINEGAR

house, becoming familiar with every phase and department of the business as he worked his way upward from a very minor position to that of shipping clerk. He afterward returned to Toledo and shortly after became a partner in the Ohio & Michigan Paper Company, with which he has ever since been identified. He represented this house on the road as a traveling salesman for twenty years and succeeded in developing its trade, which largely contributed to its success. In 1920 the business was incorporated, with F. D. Hegamaster as president, V. D. Sisson as vice president, and Mr. Winegar as secretary and treasurer. In addition to his official connection he is also the manager of the building paper, paint, roofing and linoleum departments. This company handles the "Certain-teed" products as jobbers. The business is now one of the leading wholesale houses of Toledo in its line, and enjoys a reputation for commercial integrity not surpassed by any of its contemporaries.

On the 3d of September, 1909, Mr. Winegar was united in marriage to Miss Frances Leta Mignin of Stryker, Ohio, and they have become parents of one daughter, Mary Louise. They belong to the First Church of Christ, Scientist, and Mr. Winegar is a valued representative of the Masonic fraternity, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in the consistory. He is also a member of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the United Commercial Travelers, is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and is one of the patrons of the Toledo Art Institute. He stands for all those forces which have to do with the city's upbuilding and improvement, not only along the line of material growth but in connection with those interests and forces which make for cultural uplift, for civic advancement and for the adoption of higher ethical and moral standards. Mr. Winegar is a self-made man in the full meaning of the term and is readily accorded a high position among Toledo's strong, capable business men and her best citizenship. His home is at No. 3131 Collingwood avenue.

CHARLES AUGUSTUS EHERNMAN

Charles Augustus Ehernman, secretary of the Auburndale Savings & Loan Association of Toledo, was born in Allen county, Ohio, near Lima, on the 12th of April, 1868, the son of farming people, Isaac and Margaret (Mosier) Ehernman. His youthful days were spent under the parental roof and he early became familiar with the best methods of tilling the soil and caring for the crops. His educational opportunities were those afforded by the public school system of his native county and in young manhood he became identified with the life insurance business as a representative of the Prudential Company. In 1900 he was transferred to Toledo as assistant superintendent of the division here and remained in that connection until 1916, when he established a real estate and insurance agency, handling fire insurance. He thoroughly acquainted himself with realty values and built up a substantial business in both departments. In April, 1922, he aided in the organization of the Auburndale Savings & Loan Association, of which he was made secretary, and as one of the officials of the company he is still actively engaged in the real estate and insurance business, in both lines having had wide experience, which makes him an important element in the successful conduct of the affairs of the new company.

On the 16th of April, 1894, Mr. Ehernman was married to Miss Elnora

Lawrence of Lima, Ohio. They have gained many friends during the period of their residence in Toledo. For a quarter of a century Mr. Ehernman has been a loyal follower of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, belonging to both subordinate lodge and encampment. His fidelity to any cause which he espouses is one of the marked characteristics of Mr. Ehernman and in business his close application, thoroughness and progressiveness have constituted the strong foundation upon which he has built his success.

WILLIAM T. BAILEY

Among the successful business enterprises of Toledo, in the wholesale trade, is The Ainsworth Shoe Company, of which William T. Bailey is the vice president and general manager, and the development and prosperity of the corporation are largely attributable to his initiative spirit and administrative powers.

William T. Bailey was born in Ingham county, Michigan, March 9, 1878, and is a son of James W. and Kitty (Taylor) Bailey, the former a native of New York state, and when a young man he located in Ingham county, where he has since been connected with the lumber industry.

William T. Bailey acquired his education in the public schools of Ingham county, Michigan, and his initial commercial experience was obtained with the wholesale shoe house of G. E. Creighton of Lynn, Massachusetts. Eventually he became a traveling salesman, covering the state of Nebraska, and for twelve years was thus occupied. He located at Toledo in 1911, forming a connection with The Ainsworth Shoe Company, wholesale dealers of high grade shoes, and in 1916 was made vice president and general manager of the firm, which offices he is now filling.

Mr. Bailey was married in Toledo on the 10th of July, 1905, to Miss Nellie De Soe, a daughter of Orin and Emma De Soe, well known residents of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey have a daughter, Barbara Ruth, who was born October 9, 1919.

Mr. Bailey gives his political support to the republican party and he is a member of the Toledo, Toledo Automobile and Toledo Commerce clubs and a director of the Dime Savings Bank. In Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree, belonging to both the York and Scottish Rites and is also a shriner. Mr. Bailey's business success affords an excellent illustration of what can be accomplished through untiring effort and determined purpose, when guided by intelligence and sound judgment, and he ranks with the representative business men of the city.

ROBINSON L. BIDWELL, M. D.

Dr. Robinson L. Bidwell, one of Toledo's foremost physicians and surgeons, was born in Madison county, Ohio, April 18, 1884, a son of Lester and Anna (Colliver) Bidwell, who were also natives of this state, in which they have spent their lives. The father was long identified with the live stock industry in Madison county and is now living retired at London, Ohio. His wife passed away in 1909,

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at the age of fifty-seven. There were three children in their family: Robinson L.; Nathan, who is living in Boston, Massachusetts; and Dr. P. J. Bidwell of Toledo, where he is well known as a physician and surgeon.

In his youthful days Robinson L. Bidwell attended the public schools of West Jefferson, Ohio, and taught district school in Madison county for two years. He then took a course in pharmacy and science at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana, after which he matriculated in the Starling Medical College, at Columbus, Ohio. There he was graduated with the M. D. degree in the class of 1908 and for three years previous he was first assistant to Dr. Thomas C. Hoover of the Starling Medical College and Columbus Hospital. On the 28th of September, 1908, he began practice on his own account, specializing in surgery, to which he has given his attention mainly throughout the intervening period. He was formerly on the surgical staff of the Toledo Hospital, specializing on diseases of women, and is a member of the staff of St. Vincent's Hospital. While his hospital practice has been extensive and of an important character, he has a large private practice and the thoroughness and ability with which he performs every task that comes to him in the line of his profession has established him in the front rank as a most skillful and conscientious physician and surgeon. He has further qualified for his chosen life work by postgraduate courses in the Harvard University, in the Massachusetts General Hospital and in the New York Postgraduate Hospital and he keeps in touch with the trend of modern thought through his membership in the Toledo Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Association and the American Medical Association.

On the 24th of November, 1909, Dr. Bidwell was married to Miss Caroline Baird, formerly a director of the Model Kindergarten of Columbus, Ohio, and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baird, the former a well known merchant of Pataskala, Ohio, but now deceased.

Dr. and Mrs. Bidwell are members of the Presbyterian church and he belongs to the Masonic fraternity, in which he has taken the degrees of both York and Scottish rites and is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. His name is likewise on the membership roll of the Elks Lodge of Toledo, the Sylvania Golf Club, the Maumee River Yacht Club, the Optimist Club and the Chamber of Commerce.

WILLARD CHARLEY WALLAR

Willard Charley Wallar, now president and general manager of the H. C. Wason Lumber Company and also treasurer of the Auburndale Savings & Loan Association, is thus busily occupied with commercial interests, whereby he has been successful. There have been no unusual chapters in his life history, but while less spectacular the record of the capable business man is none the less vital and none the less essential to the community and the commonwealth, than is that of the military or political leader who figures more prominently, perhaps, in the public eye. Mr. Wallar is a native of Guernsey county, Ohio, born June 18, 1868, and is a son of Jeremiah T. and Marjory (Adams) Wallar. The father devoted his life to the occupation of farming. The son obtained a country school education while spending his youthful days under the parental roof and in summer seasons worked in the fields, early becoming familiar with the best methods of tilling the soil and caring for the crops. In early manhood he taught school for a period of

seven months and afterward he learned the carpenter's trade and was also employed in a planing mill. Step by step he has progressed and each change in his business career has marked an advancement. In 1902 he accepted a position as traveling salesman in connection with lumber interests and mill work and in January, 1914, he arrived in Toledo. Here in March of the same year he became associated with the Swan Creek Lumber Company as manager of the Millwork department and in December, 1915, he transferred to the H. C. Wason Lumber Company, with which he has since been connected, familiarizing himself with every phase of the business in principle and detail. Upon the incorporation of the company he was elected president and general manager and has since directed the affairs of the corporation. He has also extended his efforts into other fields. He was one of the founders and the first treasurer of the Auburndale Savings & Loan Association, also a member of its directorate since its inception, thus taking active part in real estate negotiations in Toledo.

On the 2d of August, 1888, Mr. Wallar was united in marriage to Miss Janette I. Marple of Zanesville, Ohio, and they have become the parents of four children: Lee, born March 7, 1890, in Cambridge, Ohio, married Viola Klinger of Guernsey county, Ohio. He is supt. of mill work for the South Side Lumber Company of Toledo, and has two children, Beulah and Howard. C. Homer, born April 27, 1893, in Zanesville, Ohio, married Harriet Hutton of Toledo. He is chief clerk for the Pullman Company at their Toledo office. Herbert W., born July 4, 1900, in Cambridge, Ohio, is in the auditing department of the Pennsylvania company's freight offices in Toledo. Mary, born August 5, 1902, in Cambridge, Ohio, resides with her parents.

Mr. Wallar belongs to the Auburndale Chamber of Commerce and is interested in all those forces which make for public progress and improvement. Fraternally he is identified with the Masons and with the Modern Woodmen of America, loyally following the teachings of these organizations. He is also one of the patrons of the Toledo Art Museum and his aid and influence are ever given on the side of those agencies and activities which make for the cultural benefit and civic development, as well as the material upbuilding, of the city.

JOHN SHERRING PRATT

For a quarter of a century John Sherring Pratt has been a representative of the Toledo bar, at which his father won distinction as a lawyer and jurist. The son is now special assistant to the attorney general of the United States and has filled various official positions in the line of his profession. Throughout his life his indefatigable energy has declined no call to labor or public service and a strong sense of duty and obligation has guided him in all of his relations to the courts and to the public at large. Born in Toledo, on the 5th of June, 1875, John S. Pratt is a son of Charles and Catherine (Sherring) Pratt. The family is of English lineage and was established in Massachusetts during the colonial epoch in the history of this country. The Pratt family is also noted for longevity. The grandfather, Alpheus Pratt, born in Massachusetts, became a pioneer settler of western New York in 1819 and in 1833 removed from the Empire state to southern Michigan, establishing his home at what was known as the Bean Creek country, now Hudson. There he passed away in March, 1884, at the notable old

age of ninety-one years, while his widow also reached an advanced age, spending her last days in the home of her son, Judge Pratt, in Toledo. The Judge was born near Rochester, New York, January 15, 1828, was reared amid frontier surroundings in Michigan and after attending the local schools to the age of sixteen became a student in a select school at Adrian Michigan, and later in a seminary at Albion. He then read law and was admitted to practice in 1852, when he became a partner in the law firm of Hill, Perigo & Pratt at Toledo. Following the withdrawal of Mr. Perigo the firm of Hill & Pratt continued in practice until 1870, after which the Judge was senior partner in the firm of Pratt & Wilson until 1895. For five years he served as judge of the court of common pleas, terminating his service February 1, 1900, because of ill health. Later he became a partner of his son, John S. Pratt, and William K. Terry and remained in practice until his death at the age of seventy-two years. In politics he was first a whig and afterward a republican and his religious faith was manifest in his membership in the Westminster Presbyterian church. He served as president of its board and was also at one time president of the Toledo Young Men's Christian Association, while at all times he took a helpful interest in Sunday school and temperance work. In early manhood he wedded Catherine Sherring, who survived her husband and passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sidney Lathrop, at Portland, Oregon, March 27, 1910, at the age of seventy-six years.

John S. Pratt, one of a family of seven children, continued a student in the public schools of Toledo until graduated from the high school in 1893, after which he matriculated in the University of Michigan, pursuing both literary and law courses until June, 1897. With his admission to the bar at that date he returned to Toledo and became associated with the law firm of Swayne, Hayes & Tyler. This connection was discontinued in 1899, when he became junior partner in the firm of Pratt, Terry & Pratt, so practicing until 1901, when he received the appointment of United States commissioner from Judge F. J. Wing of the United States district court. Much of life since that time has been devoted to public service, greatly to the benefit of city and state. In April, 1904, the Toledo city council appointed him judge of the city court to fill a vacancy and in the following November he was elected to the office for a three years' term. At the end of that time he declined again to become a candidate, wishing to devote his attention to a rapidly growing private law practice. His devotion to his clients' interests has ever been proverbial and he won many notable cases during the period when he practiced independently. On the 15th of March, 1908, however, he was again called to public office through appointment as assistant United States district attorney by Hon. Charles J. Bonaparte, who was then attorney general of the United States. On the 1st of January, 1909, Mr. Pratt entered into partnership with Judge Doyle, a relation that was maintained until the 1st of April, 1915. He continued to act as assistant United States attorney for this district from 1908 until 1917 and at the present time is special assistant to the attorney general of the United States. He belongs to both the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations and his high conformity to the most advanced ethical standards of the profession has gained him the unqualified respect and confidence of his fellow practitioners.

Judge Pratt has been married twice. On the 9th of June, 1906, he wedded Miss Genevieve Doyle, daughter of Judge John H. and Alice F. Doyle. She passed away January 6, 1912, in Toledo, leaving one child, Alice Doyle Pratt, who was born in 1908. On the 29th of June, 1918, Judge Pratt was again married,

this second union being with Miss Helen Mitchell. They are members of the First Congregational church and Judge Pratt is identified also with the Masonic fraternity and with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. His interest centers in those activities which are looking to the material, intellectual, social and moral progress of the community and his support and earnest cooperation can be counted upon to further any cause that promises to be of worth and value to the municipality or to the commonwealth.

JESSE DAVID HURLBUT

Jesse David Hurlbut, secretary and treasurer of the Toledo Grain & Milling Company, is well known as a progressive and highly respected business man of this city, in which his life has been passed. He was born here July 1, 1870, his parents being Jesse and Mary J. (Richardson) Hurlbut, the former a native of the Empire state, while the latter was born in Ogdensburg, New York, and came to Toledo in early life. The father was captain of the first volunteer fire department of this city and was the founder of the present department, the efficiency of which is unsurpassed in any city of equal size in the country. It was Mr. Hurlbut who purchased the first team of horses for the department and he ever advocated the most progressive measures in connection with the establishment and conduct of the entire system. He became one of the first paid firemen of the city and rose to a captaincy in this department of public service. He died in the year 1873, being long survived by his widow, who passed away in 1909. In their family were three children, one of whom is deceased, the others being Mrs. D. F. McIntosh of Boston, Massachusetts; and Jesse David.

The latter, Jesse David, having mastered the branches of learning taught in the grades, attended the Central high school and then putting aside his textbooks was employed in connection with various occupations. In 1897 he became associated with the grain trade as representative of the Toledo Grain & Milling Company, having charge of city sales, while later he was promoted to the position of secretary and treasurer. In that official connection he continues and has also broadened the scope of his activities by becoming director of a number of the substantial and worthy commercial and industrial enterprises of Toledo.

On the 21st of September, 1900, Mr. Hurlbut was united in marriage to Miss Jennie G. Camp of this city, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Camp, well known and prominent residents of Toledo but Mr. Camp is now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Hurlbut have one child, Geraldine C., who attended the Smead School for Girls, and completed her education at Southfield Point School for Girls at Stamford, Connecticut. She is now engaged in kindergarten work here.

Mr. Hurlbut belongs to the Masonic fraternity and has taken the degrees of both York and Scottish Rites. He has attained the thirty-second degree in the consistory and is a past potentate of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the First Unitarian church and is interested in all those forces which make for uplift and development in the community. He is identified with the Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Produce Exchange, of which he is second vice president, and he belongs to the Toledo Club and to the Inverness Club. His political endorsement is always stanchly given to the republican party and he now fills the position of commissioner of publicity and efficiency, entering upon his seventh year in this

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position. His record of service is a most commendable one, for at all times he has the interests of the city at heart and labors intelligently, earnestly and effectively to further the general good. He is one of Toledo's most popular and highly respected native sons, having here a circle of friends almost coextensive with the circle of his acquaintance. His residence is at No. 361 Winthrop street.

AARON LUFKIN KELSEY

It is given to but few men so near to approach the century mark as did Aaron Lufkin Kelsey, who died in Toledo at the age of ninety years, after having been closely associated with the commercial life and development of the city for sixty-three years. He was indeed a familiar figure in the business circles of the city and Toledo in many ways found him a benefactor, as his activities contributed in substantial measure to her growth and improvement. Mr. Kelsey was born in Guilford, Maine, July 12, 1823, and was of English and Irish lineage, being a grandson of Joseph Kelsey, who settled in Massachusetts in young manhood, becoming one of the residents of that state during the colonial epoch in its history. He served in the Revolutionary war throughout the full seven years of conflict and was honorably discharged after American independence was won. He refused a pension and walked from Philadelphia to his home in Shirley, Massachusetts. His son and namesake, Joseph Kelsey, removed to Maine about 1800, settling at Guilford, where he became a prosperous and prominent citizen. He represented his district in the Maine legislature for thirty years and was active in framing the constitution of that state in 1820.

Aaron L. Kelsey was one of a family of nine children and the last survivor, having outlived his brother, Joel W. Kelsey of Toledo, for a period of ten years. In his youthful days he was given the advantages of a good education, being graduated as a surveyor from the Foxcroft Academy at Foxcroft, Maine, while his efficiency secured for him an appointment as government surveyor when but nineteen years of age. In that capacity he had the distinction of assisting in running the national boundary line in 1843 as established by the Webster-Ashburton treaty. For three years his life was fraught with great privation and toil as he followed his profession in the wilderness of the north, but the outdoor experience also brought him rugged health and much knowledge concerning the out-of-doors.

His entire course was characterized by the faithful performance of his duties and these three years were a fitting prelude to a long, honorable and useful career.

Mr. Kelsey arrived in Toledo in 1850, finding here a struggling frontier village. For six years he was interested in lake navigation, being associated with Darius Cole of Detroit in building the Northerner, the first passenger boat that went up the Great Lakes. It was sunk, however, on its initial trip just beyond Port Huron after being rammed in a fog. Mr. Kelsey in 1856 entered into partnership with Nathan Reeve, under the name of Kelsey & Reeve, for the conduct of a lumberyard, for which there was a splendid field, owing to the fact that the adjacent state of Michigan was rich in its great forests of hardwood and of white pines. Their wharf and lumberyard was on Water street, north of Cherry, where their business grew rapidly. In that business Mr. Kelsey continued for thirty years, the firm style becoming Kelsey-Lawton & Company in 1868, and upon his

retirement in 1886 he was succeeded by his son, H. Reeve Kelsey, who formed a partnership with George L. Freeman, the business being then carried on under the style of Kelsey & Freeman. For three decades, however, Aaron L. Kelsey had figured as one of the most prominent lumbermen of the city and had contributed in large measure toward making Toledo one of the lumber trade centers of the middle west. In 1873 he became associated with others in the purchase of the business of the Milburn Wagon Company, of which he remained a director for an extended period, while at the time of his death he was one of the large stockholders of the company. Into still other fields he directed his labors, being a director of the Merchants National Bank from its inception until his retirement from active business life. In Waggoner's History of Toledo and Lucas County it was said: "Mr. Kelsey has been among the foremost citizens in public spirit, ready to cooperate in whatever promised the public welfare." He withheld his aid and support from no movement for the general good and he was one of the organizers of Toledo's third Board of Trade, which constituted an important and vital force in promoting the early business and industrial development of the city.

In 1854 Mr. Kelsey was married to Miss Helen M. Lawton of Cape Vincent, New York, whom he survived for twenty years. To them was born one child, Hiram Reeve, who is mentioned elsewhere in this work. One of the local papers, following the death of Mr. Kelsey on October 25, 1913, said of him: "He will be remembered as a quiet and retiring gentleman of kindly nature and a quick and lively intellect. In his death there passed away one who in his lifetime contributed his full share to the development and progress of his day and generation." Mr. Kelsey erected the house at No. 1729 Summit street, which was his residence for fifty-two years, or until his death.

VINE DE PUGH SISSON

Vine De Pugh Sisson, active in the management of the Ohio & Michigan Paper Company, of which he was one of the organizers and is the vice president, is also identified with several other business corporations, each one of which has benefited by his cooperation and sound judgment. In all business affairs he has readily discriminated between the essential and the non-essential and on many occasions has united seemingly urelated or diverse elements into a harmonious whole. He never stops short of his objective, realizing at all times that when one avenue of opportunity seems closed he can carve out other paths whereby to reach the desired goal.

Vine De Pugh Sisson was born in Pottsville, Pennsylvania, on the 12th of March, 1868, and is a son of Charles and Emma (Widmer) Sisson, the former a millwright, devoting his life to that trade. The public schools of Sandusky, Ohio, accorded Vine D. Sisson his educational opportunities, for during his early boyhood his parents removed from Pennsylvania to that city. Early in his business career he became a traveling salesman, spending some time on the road as representative of a wholesale candy house. Later he became connected with the retail grocery trade and in 1888 he moved to Toledo, where during the intervening period of thirty-four years he has made his home. Here he entered the retail grocery field, conducting a well appointed store for a period of four years, during which he built up a good trade. On the expiration of that period, in asso-

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ciation with two others, he purchased the business of the Ohio & Michigan Paper Company, of which he has since been the active vice president. As one of its officials he has taken helpful part in formulating the policy and in directing the business of this company and its trade relations have steadily broadened in scope and become increasingly more important as the years have passed by. Today this company controls an extensive and gratifying business and its success argues well for the capability of the men who are at its head. Mr. Sisson has also become one of the directors of the Toledo Glove Manufacturing Company and he is likewise a director of the United Associates Company, which handles mortgages. In this organization he is serving with the executives. He is likewise the president of the Troy Oil & Gas Company, a director of the Oberle Tool & Die Manufacturing Company and has other important business associations, and belongs to the Elks. His labors have ever been guided by sound judgment and his keen sagacity is manifest in the excellent results which have attended his efforts at all times. He is today regarded as one of the forceful and resourceful business men of Toledo and his work has been a most valuable contributing factor to the continued commercial growth and expansion of the city.

On the 23d of May, 1892, Mr. Sisson was united in marriage to Miss Esther Mayer of Sandusky, Ohio, and they have become parents of a daughter, Shirley E., who is now the wife of Floy Nichols, and they have a daughter, Patricia Sisson Nichols. Mr. Nichols is with the Ohio-Michigan Paper Company.

Mr. Sisson belongs to the United Commercial Travelers. He finds his recreation in touring and in golf, greatly enjoying both. He has been quite active in political circles as a supporter of the republican party and for two years he filled the position of mayor in the town of Bettsville, being the youngest mayor in Ohio at that time. His years, however, seemed no bar to his capability, for he proved an efficient executive, giving to the little city a businesslike and progressive administration. He belongs to the B. P. O. E. and is one of the patrons of the Toledo Art Institute. He is interested in all those forces which make for higher standards and ideals in civic affairs, in city government and along those lines which make for cultural uplift and intellectual advancement. Mr. Sisson's residence is at No. 731 Orchard road, Ottawa Hills.

JOHN IRVIN O'CONNOR

John Irvin O'Connor, filling the responsible position of secretary to the mayor, to which office he was appointed on the 1st of January, 1922, and recognized as one of the representative young members of the Ohio state bar, was born August 3, 1893, in this city, and is a son of Timothy and Mary (Dawson) O'Connor. The father is well known here, having for twenty years been a member of the city fire department, with which he is still associated. In the acquirement of his education John I. O'Connor attended the public schools, also the Central high school and St. Francis de Sales Academy. He afterward began preparation for the bar as a law student in St. John's University and after completing a thorough course was admitted to practice on the 1st of July, 1915. He then entered upon the general work of the profession, trying all kinds of cases and trying them well. He displayed versatility and ready adaptability in the preparation and presentation of his cause before the courts and was ever ready with strong argument and logical deduc-

tions to prove the correctness of his position. He continued in general practice until the 1st of January, 1922, when he was appointed secretary to the mayor and is now filling this position.

Mr. O'Connor entered the military service of the country during the World war, becoming a private of a machine gun company in an infantry division. This was in July, 1917, and he was discharged November 25, 1918, at Camp Hancock, Georgia. He now has membership with the American Legion and is a loyal supporter of that organization that is making such a splendid record in promoting the high ideals of American citizenship in days of peace, just as it stood for the splendid principles that actuated America in her entrance into the war. He is also connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, with the Knights of Columbus, with the Young Men's Christian Association and with the Chamber of Commerce, while along strictly professional lines he is identified with the Lucas County Bar Association. The game of golf affords him pleasurable recreation and he is also much interested in baseball.

CARL H. HARTMAN

Among the varied manufacturing enterprises which are contributing to the industrial prosperity of Toledo is that of the Valve Bag Company, of which Carl H. Hartman is vice president and secretary, and his intelligently directed efforts have materially promoted the success of the undertaking, which is one of large proportions. He was born in Woodville, Ohio, November 27, 1889, and is a son of Louis H. and Minnie (Bruns) Hartman, the former also a native of Woodville and the latter of Toledo. The father was reared, educated and married at Woodville and in 1906 he aided in organizing the Valve Bag Company of this city, of which he has since been treasurer and manager, and he is also identified with the Toledo General Manufacturing Company, engaged in making machinists' tools, dies, auto parts and special machinery. He is numbered among the foremost business men of this city and maintains a beautiful home at Woodville, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Hartman have become the parents of five children: Otto, Arthur and Carl H., all of whom are residents of Toledo; and Alma and Laura, who are living in Woodville.

The grammar schools of his native town and the high school of Toledo afforded Carl H. Hartman his educational opportunities and in 1910 he entered the employ of the Valve Bag Company in the capacity of bookkeeper. After filling that position for three years his able and conscientious service won for him promotion to the office of assistant manager and in 1920 he was made vice president, in addition to which he is now serving as secretary of the company. They utilize one hundred and twenty-five employes in the operation of their plant, in which they manufacture patent valve paper bags for cement, lime, plaster, etc., and theirs is one of the largest concerns of the kind in the country. Mr. Hartman gives careful oversight to all phases of the business and is constantly seeking to increase the efficiency of the plant and to extend the trade of the company to new territory.

On the 2d of September, 1914, Mr. Hartman was married to Miss Clara Kortier of Delphos, Ohio, and they have become the parents of a son, Robert, who was born July 10, 1915, and is attending the public schools. They are members of St. Paul's church of Toledo and Mr. Hartman gives his political support to the

republican party. His keen interest in the welfare and upbuilding of the city has led to his identification with the Chamber of Commerce and he is also a member of the Exchange Club and the Credit Men's Association. He possesses keen perception and unusual business sagacity for one of his years and is a representative of the younger generation of business men whose energy and progressiveness promise so much for the development of the city.

HENRY HARMON CONVERSE

Henry Harmon Converse, who for more than twenty-two years has been identified with the Haughton Elevator & Machine Company, of which he is now the secretary, having been one of the officials through a period of sixteen years, was born in Mantua, Portage county, Ohio, March 1, 1869. His father, Henry Harrison Converse, is a tanner by trade, having devoted much of his life to that line of business. He married Orcelia Harmon and they are still living at Mantua.

As a student at Hiram College of Hiram, Ohio, Henry Harmon Converse supplemented his early educational training, which he had received in the public schools of Portage county and by his college work he became well qualified for life's practical and responsible duties. He afterward went on the road as a traveling salesman, spending four years in that connection and in 1889 he arrived in Toledo, where he entered business circles as a representative of the real estate interests of W. L. Holbrook, in whose employ he continued for six years. In 1900 he became associated with the Haughton Elevator & Machine Company in the capacity of bookkeeper and afterward was advanced to the position of auditor. In March, 1916, he was elected secretary of the company and has continued in that official connection, concentrating his efforts and attention upon the active management and control of the business, which has been one of steady growth and has reached gratifying proportions.

On the 25th of May, 1897, Mr. Converse was united in marriage to Miss Mabelle Parker of Hiram, Ohio, and they have become parents of a daughter, Gertrude Harmon. Mr. Converse is well known in Masonic circles. He has attained high rank in the order, has become a member of the Mystic Shrine and is an honorary thirty-third degree Mason. He has ever been most loyal to the teachings of the craft and active in support of the organization and he enjoys in notable measure the esteem and confidence of his brethren of the fraternity. He is likewise connected with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and his interest in public affairs centers in those channels through which flows the greatest and most permanent good to the greatest number.

EBEN DeWITTE MOON

Eben DeWitte Moon has since 1920 figured in the business circles of Toledo as the secretary and treasurer of the Toledo Standard Commutator Company. He also has business connections in other cities of the middle west and is recognized as a man of undaunted enterprise and progressiveness. He is possessed of unfaltering energy and industry that never flags and by reason of these qualities has worked

his way steadily upward. Mr. Moon is a native son of the Empire state, his birth having occurred at Dunkirk, New York, April 14, 1885, his parents being DeWitte Clinton and Helen (Brownell) Moon. The father was for years general manager of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad Company and is now chairman of the labor board of the New York Central Railroad, and one of the foremost figures in railway circles of the country.

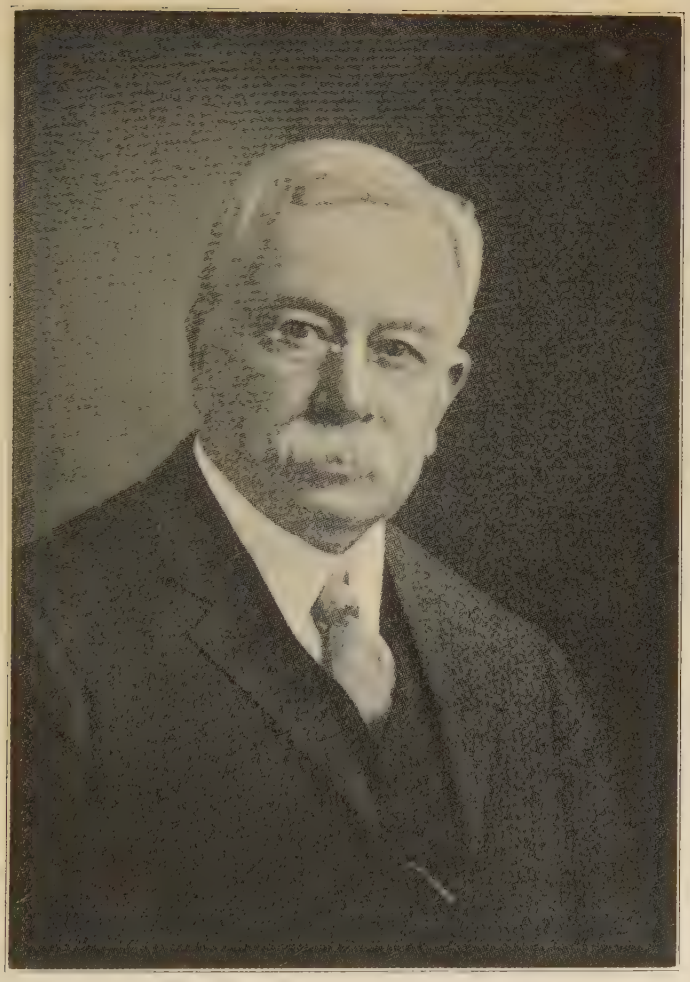
Eben D. Moon is indebted to the public schools of Dunkirk and Watertown, New York, for the early educational opportunities which he enjoyed and later he attended the Culver Military Academy at Culver, Indiana, from which he was graduated with the class of 1904. Starting out in the business world he became a telegraph operator and was also connected with general service in the interest of the New York Central Railroad, becoming eventually division superintendent with that corporation, a position which he occupied for a number of years. He dates his residence in Toledo from 1920, at which time he was chosen secretary and treasurer of the Toledo Standard Commutator Company and in this connection employment is given to sixty-five men, well trained for the duties that devolve upon them, so that the business is wisely carried on and is proving a profitable investment. Mr. Moon has also extended his efforts into other fields and is now the vice president of the Commerce Finance Corporation of Elkhart, Indiana, and vice president of the Hillsdale (Mich.) Mercantile Corporation.

On the 11th of July, 1912, Mr. Moon was married to Miss Florence Hooker of Fredonia, New York, and they have become parents of three sons: Warren DeWitte, Eben DeWitte, Jr., and David Brownell. Mr. Moon is interested in golf as a means of pleasure and recreation. He also belongs to the Toledo Club, in which organization his personal qualities have won him wide popularity. There have been no unusual or spectacular phases in his life record but his entire course has been marked by fidelity to duty and improvement of opportunity and step by step he has advanced in a business way until his position and his success are now most creditable.

JAMES KENT HAMILTON

The close of the year 1918 brought with it the close of a life, which for sixty years has been one of great usefulness and of unselfish effort in behalf of the community, the state and the country in which he lived. James Kent Hamilton was a distinguished member of the bar, an official over whose public career there fell no shadow of wrong nor suspicion of evil, and a man who in every relation of life measured up to the highest standards. There are few men who have figured so prominently in public life, who have been touched so lightly by calumny or envy. The great public paid to him a tribute of well merited honor and respect and his close associates prize his friendship as something most dear and precious.

Mr. Hamilton was born in Milan, Erie county, Ohio, May 17, 1839, his parents being Thomas and Sarah O. (Standart) Hamilton of Auburn, New York. His ancestors were English and Scotch and all came to America prior to the year 1700. One or more of his direct ancestors served in the Revolutionary war and through the maternal line he traces his ancestry back to one of the Mayflower passengers. From Massachusetts a removal was made by later generations of the family to New York and thence to northern Ohio, where settlement was made in pioneer times. James Hamilton, the grandfather, took up his abode at Lyme, Ohio, about 1830,



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and Thomas Hamilton, the father, born in Washington county, New York, accompanied his parents to this state and for many years was a prominent citizen and leading merchant of Milan, Erie county, successfully conducting an extensive grain business, for at that date Milan was one of the centers of the grain trade. In 1861 he removed to Toledo and contributed in large measure to the upbuilding of the city as a grain center, continuing actively in business there until his death in 1876. In politics, too, he figured conspicuously as a supporter of the whig party and at one time represented his district, comprising Erie and Huron counties in the Ohio senate. His wife was also of New England lineage, although a native of New York.

James Kent Hamilton was one of a large family and he did the hard work, enjoying the benefits of the sunshine and out-of-door life, which was the heritage of those early days. After acquiring the ordinary common school education he entered Kenyon College at Gambier, Ohio, and while attending this school financial reverses of the family made it necessary for him to put forth efforts and make sacrifices unusual even in those days, in order to complete his course of classical study. He was graduated with honor, however, in 1859 and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In 1862 he won the degree of Master of Arts and in 1912 his Alma Mater conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Law. In his student days he had taught school at intervals and was successively under the preceptorship of Hon. R. C. Hurd at Mount Vernon, Hon. S. F. Taylor at Milan and William Baker at Toledo, winning admission to the bar in 1862, when in his twenty-third year.

Mr. Hamilton did not enter upon active practice, however, but joined the army as a private in the One Hundred and Thirteenth Regiment of Ohio Volunteer Infantry, with which he served until the close of the Civil war. For bravery and gallantry he was promoted to the rank of captain and also served as an adjutant. He participated in all the battles in Middle Tennessee, including Chickamauga and Missionary Ridge and later he was in the Knoxville campaign and in 1864 was with the army of the Cumberland. He participated in the engagements at Resaca, Rome, New Hope Church, Kenesaw Mountain, Peachtree Creek and the Atlanta campaign and after the fall of the city of Atlanta he went with Sherman on his march to the sea and thence northward through the Carolinas, participating in the battles of Averysboro and Bentonville and finally in the Grand Review at Washington, D. C., where wave after wave of bayonet-crested blue swept by the reviewing stand, while over broad Pennsylvania avenue was suspended a banner bearing the words "the only debt which the country owes which she cannot pay is the debt which she owes to her soldiers." Fifty years later, in 1915, General Hamilton marched in the last grand review down Pennsylvania avenue, the occasion being the National Grand Army Encampment. At Chickamauga he was assistant adjutant general and chief of staff of the brigade commanded by General John G. Mitchell. He was with Granger and Steedman when they marched to the relief of the army of the Cumberland, their troops saving it from annihilation on the 20th of September, 1863. For Mr. Hamilton's conduct in this sanguinary engagement he was complimented for gallantry in the reports of his superior officers.

With the close of the war and his admission to the bar, Mr. Hamilton at once entered upon active practice in Toledo and while advancement in the law is proverbially slow no dreary novitiate awaited him. Later he was admitted to practice before the United States supreme court. He advanced steadily in his profession and in 1867 was elected prosecuting attorney of Toledo and in the same year was

chosen prosecuting attorney of Lucas county, which office he filled with marked capability for two terms, or until 1871. In 1875 the people of Toledo called him to serve as city solicitor and his efficiency in that office was indicated by his reelection. By this time Toledo had become fully alert to the value of his service and his public spirit and in 1887, by popular suffrage, called him to the office of mayor and reelected him for a second term. It was a common saying, heard to this day, that "Kent Hamilton was the best mayor Toledo ever had." He declined to serve for a third term but he rendered valuable service in other connections, filling the office of member of the board of sinking fund trustees for a period of twelve years and member of the board of education for seven years, being most of this time president of the board. From 1896 until 1900 he was judge advocate general on the governor's staff and in 1913 he was made, against his urgent protests and personal inclination, president of the commission to prepare a new charter for the city of Toledo. These long and continued activities indicate most forcibly and eloquently the respect and esteem in which he was held but they more strongly indicate a notably loyal public spirit and a willingness to share in the utmost burdens of self government.

Mr. Hamilton figured in business circles as a director of the Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company from its organization until his death and as a director of the B. A. Stevens Company. But it was as a member of the bar that he was most prominently known and he always regarded himself as a lawyer and not as a business man or political leader. For forty years he maintained a position of distinction at the Lucas county bar. He appeared as counsel for the defense or prosecution in almost all of the leading cases tried in the county and his careful and comprehensive analysis, combined with his intimate knowledge of the principles of jurisprudence, made him a most forceful figure in the courts. He was a man of the strictest integrity and possessed a most lofty conception of professional ethics and obligations. One who knew him long and well said: "He was a lion when aroused in the cause of his client or the discharge of his public duties, while in ordinary life he was as gentle and amiable as a woman."

Mr. Hamilton was married twice. On the 12th of September, 1876, in Toledo, he wedded Sibyl Williams, a daughter of J. R. and Sarah (Langdon) Williams and a descendant of Stephen Langdon, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. His first wife died in the year of their marriage. On the 27th of July, 1898, General Hamilton was married to Miss Ethel Beecher Allen, a daughter of Edward Herrick and Agnes (Beecher) Allen. Through the maternal line she is descended from the well known Beecher family, active in collegiate, patriotic and church societies, in which the members of the family have held many offices. Her grandfather, Rev. William Henry Beecher, is mentioned elsewhere in this work. Mrs. Hamilton was born in Chillicothe, Ohio, and holds the degrees of A. B. and A. M. from the Kansas State University, where she was a member of the Phi Beta Phi and was elected a Phi Beta Kappa. The Daughters of the American Revolution appointed her organizing regent and in that capacity she formed the Elizabeth Benton Chapter of Kansas City, the first chapter established in the state, and she was also the first state regent of Missouri, serving in 1896-97. Since coming to Toledo she has been a member of Ursula Wolcott Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. On April 2, 1913, she began her duties as state regent of Ohio. She is also a member of the Colonial Dames, the United States Daughters of 1812 and the Society of New England Women. To Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton was born a son, Allen Beecher Hamilton, whose birth occurred July 23, 1900, and

he graduated from Harvard in 1922. The family circle was broken by the hand of death, when on the 29th of December, 1918, General Hamilton was called to the home beyond. He was of the Protestant Episcopal faith, a member of Trinity church, in which he served as vestryman. In politics he was always a republican, standing high in the councils and activities of the party in city, state and country. During his college days he became a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon and of the Phi Beta Kappa. He belonged to the Toledo Club, to the Commerce Club and to the Country Club and he was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, of the Loyal Legion of America and of the Sons of the American Revolution. He became one of the charter members of Forsyth Post, G. A. R., which was organized November 19, 1866, and afterward transferred his membership to Toledo Post. At the national encampment held in Toledo in 1908 he was chairman of the local executive committee and was elected senior vice commander in chief of the order for the United States. From July, 1914, until July, 1915, he served as department commander of Ohio and he always cherished his association with his old army comrades. Many times he was called upon to speak at the funerals of his military associates and friends, his gift of oratory enabling him to pay beautiful tribute to their memory. Mr. Hamilton was also an active member of the old Maumee Valley Historical and Monumental Society during its existence and he likewise held membership in the Maumee Valley Pioneer and Historical Association. All who knew him, and his acquaintance was extremely wide, bear testimony to his kindly spirit and sympathetic nature. He never amassed wealth and this was due to the fact of his generosity, as he was continually extending a helping hand where aid was needed. It is doubtful if any man in public life in Toledo had so few enemies. The reason for this was found in his kind-hearted, sympathetic nature, his open and frank sincerity and the fact that his motives of conduct in public and in private were alike above suspicion. In one of the memorials prepared following his death it was said: "The emotions which were in the heart at the final farewell to one we long have cherished could group themselves about no finer or worthier character than James Kent Hamilton. He walked with hardly a misstep in the middle way of that wise faraway Greek who wrote so much but never so well as in describing the golden mean as the surest road of fair and duly proportioned happiness. His life in all its relations was plain, prudent, open, even and upright. Its loyalty and manliness, its power and tenderness, its rectitude and sympathy may well be an example to the younger members of the bar that such 'all the year 'round' virtues can still be at their best amid the fierce contention and confusions of the forum and the close, annoying exactions of public office and sordid business." He gave freely and generously to the world, of those powers with which nature had endowed him and which he had cultivated through a long and useful life, and viewed from any standpoint he measured up with the greatest and best in manhood and in citizenship.

STEPHEN BROPHY

Stephen Brophy, a native son of Toledo who occupies a prominent position in the ranks of the legal profession, has been identified with the bar of this city for the past thirty years, and that his course has at all times been an honorable and straightforward one is shown in the high regard entertained for him by his fellow practitioners and also by the general public. He was born June 14, 1863,

and his parents were Thomas and Catherine Brophy. In early life the father established his home in Toledo and in public affairs he took an active part, serving for many years as county recorder of Lucas county, while later he became one of the successful business men of the city.

Stephen Brophy attended the grammar school at the corner of Jefferson and Warren streets in this city and after completing his high school course he entered the law school of Yale College, from which he was graduated with the class of 1891. He has since successfully followed his profession in Toledo and ranks with the leading attorneys of the city. He has a comprehensive knowledge of the principles of jurisprudence and his careful analysis enables him correctly to apply his legal learning to the points at issue. The zeal with which he prepares his cases, the careful regard evinced for the interests of his clients and his assiduous and unrelaxing attention to his professional duties, have brought him a large practice and made him very successful in its conduct. He also has important business interests, being secretary and a director of the Page Dairy Company.

Mr. Brophy stanchly supports the platform and candidates of the democratic party, and in 1896 was nominated on that ticket for the office of congressman from the ninth district, but met defeat at the polls. His high standing in his profession is indicated in the fact that in 1920 he was chosen president of the Toledo Bar Association and he is now serving as president of the Lawyers Club of Toledo. Fraternally he is connected with the Masons, belonging to Barton Smith Lodge, F. & A. M., and he is also identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He never looks at a question in a superficial way, but delves to the root of the matter, and has the faculty of separating and eliminating the nonessential from the important elements of a case. Possessing all the requisites of an able lawyer, he has established his position among the successful and representative members of the legal profession of Toledo.

GEORGE ROSS FORD

George Ross Ford, manufacturer and financier, succeeded his father to the presidency of the Edward Ford Plate Glass Company. Honored and respected by all, no man occupies a more enviable position in business circles in Toledo than he, not alone by reason of the success he has achieved but also owing to the straightforward and progressive business policy he has ever followed. It is true that he entered upon a business already established, but he started out in that business in a minor position and worked his way upward, acquainting himself with every phase thereof and qualifying for the responsibilities and duties which have devolved upon him in his promotion to the presidency.

George Ross Ford was born July 25, 1882, in Creighton, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, and is a son of Edward and Carrie J. (Ross) Ford, mentioned at length on another page of this work. He pursued his early education in the schools of Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, continued his studies in Detroit, Michigan, and afterward in the manual training school in Detroit. He then entered the employ of the Edward Ford Plate Glass Company. Parental authority was not exerted to give him an easy berth. He spent four years in mastering the various branches of the business and step by step advanced until he became treasurer and general manager, so continuing until he succeeded to the presidency upon his father's death in

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1920. Through the intervening period of three years or more he has been the chief executive of this business, which in volume and importance o'ertops every enterprise of similar character in the country. Nor has he confined his efforts alone to a single line, for he is the president and one of the directors of the Rossford Savings Bank and is a director of the First National Bank of Toledo, of the Summit Trust Company and the Michigan Alkali Company.

On the 22d of February, 1907, George R. Ford was united in marriage to Miss Grace Williams Miller of Detroit, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman R. Miller, her father a representative business man of that city, connected with the extensive seed house of D. M. Ferry & Company and with the Royal Manufacturing Company. Mrs. Ford was born and educated in Detroit to the time when she was graduated from Miss Liggett's school of that city, while later she attended Miss Morgan's boarding school in New York city. Mr. and Mrs. Ford have become parents of three children: George R., Jr., born in Toledo in 1909; Grace, born in 1910; and Felia, born in 1920. Mr. Ford belongs to the Toledo Club, the Country Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. His political allegiance has always been given to the republican party but inclination and the demands of his business have prevented him from filling public office. His cooperation can be counted upon to further measures for the general good and he is preeminently a representative of that class whose substantial character constitutes the basis of American progress and development.

FRANK J. DALTON

In the path of an orderly progression, each step being made at the cost of earnest labor and close application, Frank J. Dalton has reached an enviable position in business circles of Toledo, being closely associated with its industrial interests as president of the Dalton-Webb Optical Company, and in the line of activity in which he is specializing he occupies a place of leadership. He was born in Kansas City, Missouri, March 22, 1878, and his parents, John J. and Katherine (Horan) Dalton, were both natives of Ireland. Leaving the Emerald Isle, they sought the opportunities presented in the United States and first located at Washington, D. C. In the early '70s they removed to Kansas City, Missouri, where the father became connected with transportation interests, holding the position of traffic manager for the Wabash Railroad for many years. Loyalty to his adopted country prompted him to enlist as a soldier in the Union army during the Civil war and owing to his gallantry and bravery he was commissioned a captain, having entered the service as a private. Both Mr. and Mrs. Dalton passed away in Kansas City, the demise of the former occurring in 1913 and that of the latter in 1910. In their family were nine children, seven of whom are living, namely: Thomas B.; Joseph, James, a veteran of the World war who saw active service overseas; Mrs. John Dixon, Mrs. John Mahoney, Mrs. Charles Round; and Frank J.

In the grammar and high schools of Kansas City, Missouri, Frank J. Dalton obtained his education and after laying aside his textbooks he served an apprenticeship of five years to a prominent optician of that city. For fifteen years he followed his profession in Kansas City and on the 22d of August, 1910, he arrived in Toledo, where he continued to follow his chosen calling in the employ of others until 1917, when he decided to embark in business independently and

organized the Dalton-Webb Optical Company, which has since enjoyed a prosperous existence. They cater exclusively to the wholesale trade and are classed with the largest manufacturers of optical goods in the city. Mr. Dalton is president of the company and he gives his close personal attention to the details of the business, also has the ability to see clearly its larger aspects, and in its control he displays marked executive ability, foresight and enterprise.

At Kansas City, Missouri, on the 7th of August, 1901, Mr. Dalton was united in marriage to Miss Margaret Zella O'Hara, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James O'Hara, and they have a large circle of friends in Toledo. They are communicants of the Roman Catholic church and in his political views Mr. Dalton is independent, placing the qualifications of a candidate above party affiliation. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, in which he has taken the third degree, and is also connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. In his business career he has been dependent upon merit and ability for advancement. Along the path of opportunity open to all he has reached the goal of notable success, his progress being due to the fact that he has recognized and utilized advantages that others have passed heedlessly by. He has never dissipated his energies over a broad field but has devoted his life to the optical business, thereby gaining that specialized knowledge which has given him expert ability in his line of work, and his initiative spirit and administrative powers have found expression in the development of a large productive industry.

JOSEPH KOCH

Joseph Koch, deceased, was one of the founders of what is now The Lasalle & Koch Company, conducting one of the largest and finest department stores of the middle west. He was vice president and general manager of the corporation at the time of his death, which occurred on the 26th of June, 1904, when he was still in the prime of life. Mr. Koch was born at Framersheim, near Frankfort, Germany, in 1850, and went to school until at the age of sixteen years he left the place of his nativity and crossed the Atlantic to the United States, having earned the money to pay his passage. He came direct to Toledo and here soon secured employment as a clerk in the dry goods store of J. W. Muleneaux on Summit street, between Monroe and Jefferson streets. About two years later he entered the employ of Mr. Eaton, who conducted the Bee Hive store, where he remained as a clerk for nine years. Mr. Koch was a splendid clerk and salesman and by his capability and personality developed a large personal following, so that he was in 1876 invited by Alies S. Cohen to become associated with him as a partner in the general merchandise business under the name of Cohen & Koch, Mr. Cohen having previously been in partnership with Jacob Lasalle, under the name of Lasalle & Cohen. The firm of Cohen & Koch was located at the corner of Summit and Madison streets until the retirement of the senior member in 1881. The following year Mr. Cohen again became associated with Mr. Koch, and with Jacob Lasalle as a third partner they formed the firm of Lasalle, Cohen & Koch, the business being conducted in the new Bronson building at the corner of Summit and Adams streets. This partnership was continued until 1887, when Mr. Cohen withdrew to engage in the cloak manufacturing business and the style of the firm was changed to Lasalle & Koch. They remained in the Bronson building until 1900,

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when the firm made what was considered a most radical move, leaving the heart of the retail district and locating in the Secor building on the corner of Jefferson and Superior streets, then out of the retail section. Upon the incorporation of the business as The Lasalle & Koch Company, Mr. Koch became vice president and general manager, continuing to serve in the dual capacity throughout the remainder of his life. He was a farseeing business man, a close observer and was in the vanguard of progress. He early sensed the expansion of the retail section of Toledo and did not hesitate to back his judgment with action. Later events proved that his ideas were correct. He was considered one of the ablest merchants Toledo has had and would be in the first rank of success and progress in any period in which he might have lived. He was never content to stand still but was ever on the alert for improvement. As an illustration of his methods and ideas, a short time before his demise he called his only son, then a sophomore in the University of Michigan, to his bedside and after giving him advice and counsel in business matters said to the young man: "There is a better way to run this business (it was then highly successful and the leading one of its kind in Toledo) than I have been able to find, but I want you to endeavor to find that way and utilize it." Mr. Koch's able management made the history of the business synonymous with success and high commercial integrity. In 1917 the present magnificent building was built for The Lasalle & Koch Company—one of the finest department store structures in the entire country, and in 1923 Mr. Koch's son, Alfred B. Koch, became president of the corporation, which employs about one thousand people in the conduct of its business.

Mr. Koch was married (first) to Hattie Black of Toledo, daughter of Alexander Black of the Black Cloak Company. She passed away in 1896, leaving three children: Alfred B., who is the president of The Lasalle & Koch Company and is mentioned elsewhere in this publication; Amie, who became the wife of Arthur Block and resided at Buffalo, New York, where her death occurred April 6, 1923; and Florence, the wife of Henry Zellner of New York city. For his second wife Mr. Koch married Belle Black, sister of his first wife, and they became parents of two children: Alice, a resident of Toledo; and Harold, who is a member of the class of 1924 at the University of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Koch was a charter member of Toledo Lodge No. 20, Knights of Pythias, and served through all the chairs, and he also belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He was a member of the Turners and as a young man was quite proficient in athletics. He was not a church member, but his religion was summed up in the Golden Rule and he gave freely though unostentatiously to charities, no worthy cause appealing to him in vain. His was the career of a truly self-made man and he left to his family not only a goodly estate but the priceless heritage of a name unsullied.

CHARLES LE ROY McBRIDE

The salient features of success have found expression in the record of Charles Le Roy McBride, who from a most humble beginning has developed a business of extensive proportions which he is now conducting under the name of the C. L. McBride Manufacturing Company, of which he is the president and treasurer. A large and well equipped plant is located in Toledo and is devoted to the manufac-

ture of canvas gloves. Mr. McBride has built up the trade entirely through his own efforts and as the result of the worth of the commodity which he manufactures, and his prosperity is everywhere acknowledged to be the merited reward of his persistency of purpose, his reliability and his initiative in promoting a new enterprise.

Charles Le Roy McBride was born in Leipsic, Putnam county, Ohio, December 26, 1864, and is a son of Benjamin Franklin and Susan (Humburger) McBride. The father was the owner of sawmills and engaged in the manufacture of hardwood lumber. Later he turned his attention to woolen manufacturing at Columbus Grove, Ohio, and remained an active factor in business circles to the time of his death.

Charles L. McBride pursued his education in the public schools of Ottawa, Ohio, and afterward secured a clerkship in a dry goods store. In every experience of life he has been an apt student, learning many valuable lessons, and the capability and fidelity which he has at all times displayed to the interests which he has represented have been added features in his advancement. In early manhood he also clerked in dry goods stores at Lima, Ohio, and in 1882 he came to Toledo, where he was employed as a dry goods clerk for a period of five years. He then went to Chicago, where frim 1887 until 1891 he was in the employ of Marshall Field & Company, and in the latter year he removed to Detroit, where he continued until 1895, being also associated with mercantile interests in the latter city. He next went on the road as a traveling salesman for a jobbing house and was thus employed from 1894 until 1898. He was, however, watchful of opportunities and his eyes were ever open for the chance to take a forward step. At length he organized the Toledo Canvas Mitten Company, beginning business in a very small way. In fact, he made the first mitten at his own home from ticking and displayed this to patrons while he was traveling on the road as a dry goods salesman. It was in this manner that he obtained an idea as to whether his plan would be a feasible one and his mittens would sell. In 1896 he left the road and purchased two secondhand sewing machines in order to concentrate his efforts and attention upon his newly established business, which was steadily growing. He first made mittens in a little room in his own home, ten by twelve feet, having one girl to assist him. He sold the goods himself and, going to Defiance, Ohio, he there organized the Defiance Tick Mitten Company in 1898. The business had been steadily developing and he was at that time employing three girls. At the end of the first year he had twenty girls and was making ten thousand dozens of mittens annually. In 1900 he returned to Toledo and has since been connected with the manufacturing interests of this city. He sold to Marshall Field & Company a large order which placed him on his feet in a business way. He made the first canvas gloves in the country, cutting them by hand for a time until he was able to have dies made and thereafter did the work of cutting by machinery. He sold to the Boss Manufacturing Company his first big order, which was for ten thousand dozen gloves. During his first year in Toledo, Marshall Field & Company placed an order with him for forty thousand dozen, and the steady growth of his business led to the increase of his plant and the number of his employes, who in a short time numbered eighty-five. In 1905 he sold out to the Boss Manufacturing Company but in 1906 organized the C. L. McBride Manufacturing Company, capitalizing his business for two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Of this company he has since been the president and treasurer. The main factory is located at Toledo and employes one hundred, while also at times he

has from one hundred and ten to one hundred and twenty people working for him in their homes. The capacity of his plant is four thousand dozen mittens per day and he has a plant in Newark, Ohio, giving employment to sixty-five people.

Mr. McBride was united in marriage to Miss Mollie Wisler of Defiance, who passed away leaving two children, Charles Le Roy, Jr., and Katherine Lenora. Mr. McBride afterward wedded Sarah Liedell of Toledo and here they make their home; having many warm friends in the city, while the hospitality of many of the attractive homes of Toledo is cordially extended them. Mr. McBride is truly a self-made man and deserves all the credit which that term implies. Steadily and persistently he has worked his way upward through individual effort and merit, allowing no obstacles or difficulties to bar his path, and today he ranks with the representative manufacturers of his adopted city.

WALTER W. HOSKIN

Walter W. Hoskin, a member of one of the prominent pioneer families of Toledo, has spent his life in this city, covering a period of forty-nine years, and has witnessed much of its growth and development, in which he has borne his full share. He is now serving as president of the H. M. & R. Shoe Company, in which connection he is controlling one of the largest enterprises of this character in Toledo, and he is also at the head of other important business interests, all of which contribute to the maternal prosperity of the city. He was born in Toledo, February 9, 1873, and is a son of Richard T. and Emily (Clough) Hoskin, the former a native of London, Canada, and the latter of England. In 1864 they established their home in Toledo, where the father entered business circles as a builder and contractor, and his labors constituted an important factor in the upbuilding and improvement of the city as well as in the attainment of individual prosperity. He is now living retired in Toledo and he and the mother are widely and favorably known in the city where they have so long resided. Of the children born to their union five are living: Mrs. William Scheerman, Mrs. W. E. Irwin, Mrs. A. F. Sherman, Mrs. T. H. Van Hoesan and Walter W., all of whom are residents of Toledo.

Walter W. Hoskin obtained his education in the grammar schools and the Central high school of his native city and then devoted his attention to learning the shoe business, with which he has since been connected. In 1894 he became the business associate of E. T. Mechler and E. F. Raab, opening a retail shoe store in this city, and in 1908 their interests were incorporated, at which time the present style of the H. M. & R. Shoe Company was adopted. Mr. Hoskin is serving as president of the enterprise, which under his able management has rapidly developed until it has now assumed extensive proportions, one hundred persons being utilized in the operation of the business. The firm handles a large stock of fine shoes for men, women and children and in addition to its Toledo establishment it also maintains a branch store in Detroit. This, however, constitutes but one phase of Mr. Hoskin's activities, for he is also serving as president of the Toledo Savings Association, of the Hoskin Realty Company and the H. & G. Realty Company and is likewise a director of the Commercial Savings Bank.

In Toledo, on the 20th of August, 1897, Mr. Hoskin was married to Miss Myrtle M. Curtis, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ruhl Curtis of Fowlerville,

Michigan, and they have become the parents of three children: Ronald M., born in 1898, attended the schools of Toledo and the State University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, and is now a resident of Detroit. He married Miss Ellen Mitchell of Toledo, and they have a son, Ronald M., Jr.; Curtis Hoskin, who was born in 1906, is a high school student; and Wilbur, whose birth occurred in May, 1908, is also a high school pupil.

Mr. Hoskin is not bound by the narrow ties of partisanship but reserves the right to vote independently. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, belonging to both the York and Scottish rites, and is also connected with the Retail Merchants Association, the Commerce Club, the Inverness Club and the Toledo Club. He is identified with many interests, to all of which he gives his best efforts, as it is a principle of his life to undertake nothing unless it is worthy of thoughtful attention. He possesses those qualities which make for leadership and his life record is one in which notable business ability and the recognition and utilization of opportunity are well balanced forces.

WILLIAM H. H. REEDER

The qualities of business leadership are in a substantial degree the possession of William H. H. Reeder, whose enterprising spirit and powers of organization have found expression in the development of the Dime Savings Bank of Toledo, one of the leading financial institutions of the city, of which he is serving as the president. His birth occurred at Dunkirk, in Hardin county, Ohio, December 13, 1867, and his parents were William W. and Sarah E. (Ransbottom) Reeder, also natives of the Buckeye state, the former born in Allen county and the latter in Hardin county. The father was an honored veteran of the Civil war, enlisting as soon as he was old enough to be accepted, and he served during the latter part of that conflict. After receiving his discharge he took up the study of pharmacy and later established a drug store at West Cairo, Ohio, which he conducted successfully for thirty years. He was numbered among the representative business men and foremost citizens of the town. Both he and his wife have passed away.

In the public schools of Allen county, Ohio, William H. H. Reeder obtained his education and on starting out in the business world he sought the opportunities presented in Toledo to an industrious and ambitious young man, becoming connected with the wholesale drug house of West and Truax of this city. In 1900 he became one of the incorporators of the Dime Savings Bank, of which he was chosen president on the 1st of May, 1901. He has since filled that office and is recognized as one of the able financiers of the city. He is ever ready to extend the aid of the institution as far as possible, yet careful not to jeopardize the interests of depositors and stockholders. He is a man of sound judgment and keen discernment and in business circles of the city his standing is of the highest.

On April 3, 1888, Mr. Reeder married Miss Jane Boyer and they have become the parents of four children: William B., the eldest, was graduated from Oberlin College of Ohio and is now in the employ of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company of Los Angeles, California; Robert H. is a graduate of one of the high schools of Toledo and also of the University of Pennsylvania; Selena E. attended the Smead School for Girls and following her graduation from the Scott high school she spent two years as a student at Hollins College of Virginia, and is now completing

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her college work at Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts; John H., also a graduate of the Scott high school, is now attending Dartmouth College. He has become well known as an athlete and is a member of the famous football team of that institution.

Mr. W. H. H. Reeder is one of the directors of the Flower Hospital of Toledo and is also a member of the Lakeside Association, the National Union, the Toledo Commerce Club and the Inverness Country Club. Mr. Reeder and his family are members of Broadway Methodist Episcopal church, and for the past quarter of a century he has served as president of its board of trustees. With clear insight into business affairs and situations and a thorough understanding of every phase of banking, Mr. Reeder has become recognized as one of the substantial business men of Toledo and has labored effectively to promote the commercial development and consequent prosperity of the city with which he has allied his interests.

JAMES LYMAN WATSON, M. D.

Dr. James Lyman Watson was a man whose constantly expanding powers brought him to the field of large enterprise and activity in connection with the medical profession in Toledo, where he practiced throughout the period of his active life. His great love for his fellowmen and his interest in their welfare contributed in marked measure to his success in the treatment of disease and he was ever the exponent of the most progressive and scientific methods known to the medical fraternity.

James Lyman Watson was born at Lamar, Pennsylvania, September 1, 1857, and was a son of James L. and Margaret F. (McClellan) Watson, goodly Christian people who, removing to Ohio, became residents of Toledo, making their home at 1820 Franklin avenue, where in his later life the father lived retired.

Dr. Watson pursued his education in public schools, becoming a resident of Tiffin, Ohio, in early life. Later removing to Toledo, he attended the Toledo Medical College until graduated in 1891, with the M. D. degree. As the years passed he became one of the best known physicians. He started in practice with Dr. John D. Howe, with offices on Superior street, near St. Paul's church. Later he was located in a small one-story building which was afterward torn down to give place to the Gardner building. Eventually he maintained offices at his home at No. 2130 Fulton street, erecting his residence there in 1895. From 1893 he was medical examiner for the Toledo Traveling Men's Association, now the Toledo Travelers Life Insurance Company, and continued to act as medical examiner to the time of his death. This covered a period of a quarter of a century and his service was of the utmost worth to the organization. He also filled the presidency of the Toledo Academy of Medicine at one time. He was likewise one of the board of directors of the Toledo Travelers Life Insurance Company, which he aided in organizing, and he maintained an office in connection therewith on the seventh floor of the Second National Bank building. His private practice was extensive and of an important character and he was also a member of the staff of the Robinwood Hospital for twelve years. Following his demise, as a memorial to her husband Mrs. Watson equipped the new operating room on the fourth floor of the Robinwood Hospital, supplying it with all of the latest appliances known to modern medical and surgical science. A bronze tablet was placed in the operating room,

giving the dates of Dr. Watson's service on the staff of the hospital, and the room has been called The James L. Watson Operating Room.

On the 25th of June, 1891, Dr. Watson was united in marriage to Miss Minerva Olds, a daughter of Edward M. and Emma (Gephart) Olds of Circleville, Ohio. They became the parents of five children, of whom James O., the eldest, died in 1900. The others are: Margaret, who was educated at Wellesley College and is now the wife of Leland Boyd Monroe; Della Marie, who attended Simmons College in Boston and is now a domestic science teacher in the Toledo schools; William Edward, who completed his education at Cornell University and is now connected with the First National Bank of Toledo; and Elizabeth Boyd, who is a student at Wellesley.

Dr. Watson gave his political endorsement to the republican party and he served as a member of the city council and was president of the board of aldermen at the time the new form of city government was adopted, serving for the second term as one of the aldermen of the city. He was likewise on the charter commission that drafted the present city charter and he ever manifested a most patriotic devotion to the welfare and interests of city, state and nation. Fraternally he was connected with the Rubicon Lodge of Masons. He belonged to the various medical societies, including local, state and national, and he had membership in the Yacht Club and in the Commerce Club of Toledo. For an extended period he was one of the trustees and most active and earnest workers in the First Westminster Presbyterian church, his entire life being characterized by his Christian faith. He passed away at Clear Lake, Indiana, on July 11, 1918, and some time afterward his sister, Mrs. William H. Laird, presented to the church a triple illumination, given in memory of her parents and her brother. In all his life Dr. Watson displayed a marked recognition of the responsibilities and obligations of his profession and of his duty to his fellowmen. He was of most kindly spirit, doing good and carrying comfort wherever he went. He exemplified the highest ideals of his profession, of citizenship, of friendship and Christian service, and nowhere were the sterling traits of his manhood more strongly exemplified than in his home relations.

WILLIAM HENRY BOSHART

William Henry Boshart, vice president and general manager of The Owens Bottle Company and thus active in control of one of the most important business interests of Toledo, was born in this city, September 30, 1871, his parents being Constantine and Anna B. (Winzenreid) Boshart, the former a native of Alsace, while the latter was born in Bern, Switzerland. Both emigrated to America in early life and the father was here engaged in various occupations and also held positions of public trust. He was one of the earliest of the police officials of Toledo and later became identified with the volunteer fire department. He also acted as turnkey at the workhouse for a number of years. During the Civil war he gave evidence of his loyalty to his adopted country by enlisting as a private soldier and he fulfilled every obligation that devolved upon him in a military capacity. It was in 1861 that he joined the "Boys in Blue" of Company C, Ninth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, in response to the call for troops to serve for three months. When it was seen that the war was to be no mere holiday affair but that the country had probably entered upon a long contest, he reenlisted for a three years'

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term of service and took part in many important engagements. He was at the battle of Rich Mountain, Carnifex Ferry and Mill Springs, and was also at New Market, Alabama, on the 5th of August, 1862, when General Robert L. McCook was massacred. He was wounded and captured, serving as guard to General McCook when shot down. His acts of bravery at that time won him mention in the press dispatches that recorded the engagement. The death of Mr. Boshart occurred in Toledo, March 18, 1921, when he had reached the venerable age of eighty-four years. He had enjoyed the respect and good will of all who knew him and was one of the honored and venerated citizens here. His wife passed away March 5, 1922, at the age of eighty-three years. In their family were four children: Frank E., a successful grocer and dealer in meats in Toledo; William H.; Mrs. Edward E. Arnsman; and Lena.

In his youthful days William Henry Boshart was a pupil in the public schools of this city and also attended the Davis Business College. He later became interested in glass manufacturing at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and occupied a minor position with the firm of Cunningham & Company there, working his way upward, however, during the eight years of his association with that concern. Promotion after promotion brought him to the position of manager of the sales department. He then returned to his home city and on November 1, 1906, was sent to Manchester, England, as general manager for The Owens European Bottle-Machine Company. There he successfully controlled the business for a year and a half, at the end of which time the company disposed of its overseas interests and Mr. Boshart returned to Toledo, where he was elected assistant secretary and assistant treasurer of The Owens Bottle Company. He has since, through successive promotions, been made vice president and general manager and in this dual position he continues, thus having active part in the direction and development of the business and in its executive control. From a humble position in the commercial world he has worked his way steadily upward, until his name is now widely known in manufacturing circles. At the present time, besides serving as an executive of The Owens Bottle Company, he is president of The Owens European Bottle-Machine Company, vice president of The Toledo Glass Company, a director in The Libby Owens Sheet Window Glass Company, The American Bottle Company, the Citizens Safe Deposit and Banking Company, and the Collin-Norton Company, all of Toledo; The Hazel-Atlas Glass Company of Wheeling, West Virginia; the Mid-West Box Company and The American Straw Board Company of Chicago. He displays notably sound judgment in all that he undertakes and readily discriminates between the essential and the non-essential in business affairs.

On the 6th of October, 1897, Mr. Boshart was married to Miss Emma Katharine Bichlmyer of Cleveland, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bichlmyer of that city. Their children, twin daughters, Jeanne Billie and Lois Emma, were born March 4, 1918.

Mr. Boshart is a republican, having supported the party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise, yet his political activity is rather that of the patriotic citizen than of the office seeker. He belongs to Rubicon Lodge, F. & A. M., to the Ohio Society of New York, to the Chamber of Commerce, to the Inverness Club and to the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church—associations which indicate much of the nature of his interests and the rules which govern his conduct. During the years 1915 and 1916 he was president of the Inverness Golf Club, and is still an enthusiastic golfer. He is well known, popular, and prominent, and his life record should serve as a source of encouragement and inspiration to others,

showing what can be accomplished through individual effort, intelligently directed. Mr. Boshart and family are now residing in their beautiful new country home, "Ridgevale," Ottawa Hills, Toledo, Ohio.

FREDERICK HOLMES DODGE

Frederick Holmes Dodge, a member of an honored pioneer family of Toledo which for many years has figured conspicuously in connection with the development and upbuilding of the city, is also contributing materially to its industrial expansion as treasurer of the Milburn Wagon Company and he is likewise identified in an official capacity with other important business enterprises of the Maumee valley, his interests being extensive and varied. He was born in Newburyport, Massachusetts, December 26, 1866, and his parents, Frederick B. and Caroline Elizabeth (Perkins) Dodge, were also natives of New England and representatives of old and distinguished families whose members were active in military affairs during the early period in the development of this country. In 1868 Mr. and Mrs. Dodge established their home in Toledo and the father gained recognition as one of the foremost business men of the city, many of the largest commercial undertakings of today owing their inception to his initiative spirit and powers of organization. His demise occurred in this city in 1893 and the mother survived him for a number of years, passing away in Toledo in 1910. Their family numbered four children: Henry P., a prominent engineer of this city; Georgiana W.; Mrs. Thomas H. Mills; and Frederick H.

Frederick Holmes Dodge attended the grammar and high schools of Toledo. He was brought to this city by his parents when he was but two years of age, and he afterward became a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, in which he completed a course in mechanical engineering, being graduated with the class of 1890. Returning to this city, he entered the service of the Toledo White Lime Company, with which he remained until 1906, having in the meantime become identified with the Bissell & Dodge Company. Later he became a member of the Merrill, Dodge & Jackson Insurance Company and an active factor in its development, being still connected with insurance interests here. Directing his energies into other fields, he was called to the presidency of the Ohio Electric Car Company and since 1914 has been treasurer of the Milburn Wagon Company, one of the oldest and largest enterprises of the kind in the country, while he is also serving as secretary and treasurer of the Commonwealth Building Company. He has recognized his opportunities, utilizing them to the best advantage, and his rapidly expanding powers have made him capable of controlling large affairs, the success of which depends upon superior administrative ability.

On the 4th of April, 1893, Mr. Dodge was united in marriage to Miss Mary Mitchell, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mitchell of Toledo, and they have become the parents of a son and a daughter: Mrs. B. L. Broadwell, the daughter, attended the grammar schools and the Smead high school of Toledo and is still a resident of the city. She is the mother of a son, Latham Stuart Broadwell; Frederick Perkins Dodge, born May 22, 1895, in Toledo, attended the public schools of this city, after which he became a student at Hotchkiss School, while later he entered Cornell University and is now engaged in business in Toledo. He married Miss Virginia Robertson of Long Beach, California.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick H. Dodge are members of the First Congregational church of Toledo and he gives his political allegiance to the republican party. He is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and is also connected with the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club and the Erie Shooting & Fishing Club. Life has been to him purposeful and crowned with achievement and he has focused his energies in directions where fruition is certain. He has constructed his own success and the importance of his interests at once establishes his position among the foremost business men of Toledo.

WALTER NETTLETON WILSON

Walter Nettleton Wilson, president of the George W. Wilson & Sons Company of Toledo, has been a lifelong resident of this city, his natal day being January 4, 1894. He is a son of Walter Orlando and Marguerite (Killen) Wilson. The father is a manufacturer and his business—that of lumber and box manufacturer—was established by his father, George W. Wilson, in the year 1854. It has been in continuous existence since that time and has thus for sixty-eight years figured as one of the substantial productive industries of the city.

Reared under the parental roof, Walter N. Wilson attended the public schools of Toledo and also the Irving School for Boys at Tarrytown, New York, where he completed his course in 1914. With his return to his native city he became associated with the business that had been established by his grandfather and was then conducted by his father. Throughout the intervening period he has been identified with lumber and box manufacturing and, thoroughly acquainting himself with the business, he has worked his way upward until he was called to official position and in February, 1921, was elected to the presidency of this time-honored and prosperous corporation.

Mr. Wilson is a veteran of the World war. He enlisted as a private in July, 1918, and was discharged in November of that year following the signing of the armistice. He had been married the previous year—on the 9th of June, 1917—to Miss Mary C. Wilson of Baltimore, Maryland, and they are parents of a son, Walter Thomas, who was born November 30, 1921.

Mr. Wilson is a member of the American Legion and in matters of citizenship he has always manifested a keen interest in those forces which make for development and improvement. He finds pleasurable recreation in water sports and automobile touring and his social qualities make him a most congenial companion, while warm friendship is entertained for him by many who have known him from his boyhood to the present—a fact that indicates a well spent life.

MARK V. HANNAFORD

Mark V. Hannaford, a talented young artist of Toledo, is a native son of the city and a member of one of its old and highly respected families. He was born January 15, 1895, and his parents were Albert S. and Julia (Heck) Hannaford, the former a native of Peterboro, New Hampshire, and the latter of Ohio. As a young man the father came to the Buckeye state, locating in Toledo, and he became

identified with the National Assurance Society, which was established in 1881 and has since maintained its headquarters in this city. Mr. Hannaford is still connected with this organization and is now acting as assistant secretary of its senate. The mother is living and their three children, Robert H., Alberta and Mark V., are also residents of this city.

In the acquirement of an education Mark V. Hannaford attended the grammar and high schools of Toledo, afterward becoming a student at the Art Institute of Chicago, in which he completed his course in 1916. He immediately entered upon the work of his profession in Toledo and was thus engaged until 1917, when he enlisted for service in the World war, joining the Engineers Corps as a private. He was promoted to the rank of corporal and was ordered overseas, spending six months in France and six months in the study of art in London, England following the armistice. He returned to the United States and was discharged from the service on the 1st of August, 1919, after which he returned to Toledo, where he has since followed his chosen profession. His work is of high quality and has attracted the favorable attention of the general public and of others able to judge from technical and artistic standpoints.

Mr. Hannaford was married October 21, 1920, to Miss Edna Erswell, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Erswell of this city, and they have become the parents of a daughter, Martha Jean, whose birth occurred in this city on the 18th of March, 1922. Mr. Hannaford is a republican in his political views and fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order. He is a director of the Art Klan of Toledo and is also connected with the American Legion and the Lions Club. His ideals of life are high and he utilizes every opportunity that will enable him to climb to their level. He is an enterprising and progressive young man who is making good use of the talent with which nature endowed him, and industry and ability are carrying him steadily forward in his profession.

WILLIAM H. HASKELL

William H. Haskell, well known in business and financial circles of Toledo, is an alert and energetic business man whose activities have contributed to the progress and development of the city. Mr. Haskell was born in Essex county, New York, August 24, 1863, and is a son of Henry N. and Lucinda (MacMaster) Haskell, both of whom were natives of the Empire state. He completed his education at the Glens Falls Academy at Glens Falls, New York. His training was thorough and constituted an excellent equipment for the duties that devolved upon him when he started out in the business world. He came to Toledo in April, 1882, at which time he was nineteen years of age, and began his business career as a salesman for a feed and milling concern, so continuing until 1887, when he successfully engaged in that line of business on his own account. In 1891 he organized the Miami Maize Company, operating a corn mill on Nebraska avenue, of which he was manager for two years. In 1893 he sold the business and organized the firm of W. H. Haskell & Company, also operating a corn mill. Of this concern he became the president and he made it one of the successful and growing enterprises of the city, continuing in the business until January, 1919, when he disposed of his interest therein. He was also one of the organizers of the Toledo Lumber & Mill Work Company, of which he is vice president. In addition to his other activities he is a director of the

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Commerce Guardian Trust & Savings Bank and he is a trustee of the Lucas County Children's Home. In his later years he has largely lived retired and with Mrs. Haskell has spent considerable time in travel in this and foreign lands. A recent extended journey was to Egypt, Palestine and other sections, Mr. and Mrs. Haskell finding great delight in visiting these old places of historic interest and noting the influences of modern life thereon.

On the 15th of September, 1885, Mr. Haskell was married to Miss Mollie M. Hauser, daughter of Jacob J. Hauser of Toledo. They have a daughter, Ruth, who is now the wife of Adolphus L. Kershaw and has one son, William H.

Mr. Haskell is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and of the Toledo Club. He also belongs to the Inverness Club, the Sylvania Golf Club and the Castalia Trout Club of Castalia, Ohio. In Masonry he has advanced through both the York and Scottish Rites. He is also a past exalted ruler of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He attends the Presbyterian church and his life has been guided by those principles which have their root in the Christian faith. All who know him speak of him as a most dependable man, reliable, energetic, progressive, looking ever to the attainment of higher ideals for the individual and for the community. Mr. Haskell's residence is at No. 2717 Collingwood avenue.

JOSEPH ARTHUR YAGER

Joseph Arthur Yager, engaged in the general practice of law in Toledo, was born near Owensville, in Gibson county, Indiana, March 24, 1890, and is a son of Charles Henry and Eliza Ann (Zengler) Yager. The father devoted his life to the occupation of farming, thus providing for the support of his family, but is now deceased.

The youthful experiences of Joseph A. Yager were those of the farm bred boy who early becomes familiar with the best methods of tilling the soil and caring for the crops. His early educational opportunities were those afforded by the country schools and later he attended the high school at Owensville, Indiana, while subsequently he became a student in the Valparaiso University of his native state. He next entered the Indiana University at Bloomington, from which he was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1915, and in 1920 he completed a course in the law department of the University of Michigan. The pursuit of his education, however, has not been continuous, as at different periods he has been engaged in teaching and in this way earned the funds necessary to enable him to pursue his more advanced literary and law courses. In early manhood he taught in the country schools of Indiana and afterward became principal of the high school at Owensville, that state. Subsequently he was advanced to the position of superintendent of the schools there and continued to act in that capacity for six years. He was also supervisor of the township rural schools of Gibson county for three years and for one year he was an instructor in the University of Michigan. He has been admitted to practice in the state courts of Indiana and Ohio and in the United States district court in the latter state. He came to Toledo in 1920 and is now devoting his attention to general law practice. He tries all kinds of cases and tries them well and is making steady advancement in his chosen profession.

On the 2d of September, 1911, Mr. Yager was married to Miss Edna Gertrude Pratt of Laporte county, Indiana, and they have become parents of two children,

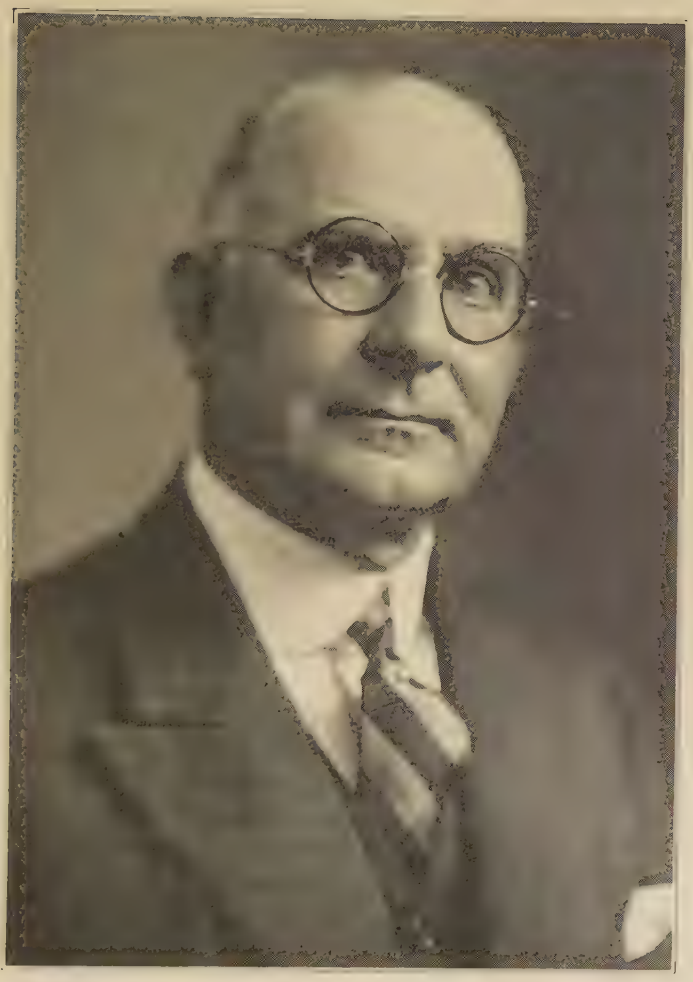
Joseph Arthur, Jr., and John Warren. Mr. Yager is a member of the Gamma Eta Gamma, a college fraternity, and is identified with the Masonic fraternity, in which he has taken the degrees of the lodge, chapter and council. He loyally follows the teachings of the craft, making its beneficent purposes a workable principle in his life. He is yet a young man but already he has attained a creditable place in the ranks of the legal fraternity at Toledo and what he has thus far accomplished indicates that his future career will be well worth watching.

JEFFERSON D. ROBINSON

There is no greater stimulus to individual activity and enterprise than that which is found in the life history of such men as Jefferson D. Robinson, president of the Libbey Glass Manufacturing Company of Toledo, who has worked his way upward from a humble position in the business world until he is now at the head of one of the largest and best known industrial enterprises in the country. Mr. Robinson is a native of the south. His birth occurred in Richmond, Virginia, on the 19th of July, 1861, and his parents were Joseph W. and Mary (Sewell) Robinson, the former a native of Massachusetts and the latter of Virginia. The father removed to the Old Dominion when twenty-two years of age and for many years he devoted his attention to the manufacture of carriages, building up a large business. Both Mr. and Mrs. Robinson are now deceased.

Jefferson D. Robinson, their only child, attended the public schools of Richmond, Virginia, until he reached the age of eleven years. He was nineteen years of age when he became identified with the industry which was to be his life work and since 1880 he has been connected with the Libbey Glass Manufacturing Company of Toledo, covering a period of forty-two years. Starting as office boy and messenger to the president of the firm, he was gradually advanced through the various departments of the business as he proved his worth and ability, and in 1920 was called to the presidency of the company, which has long occupied a position of leadership in this field, shipping its products to all parts of the country. Mr. Robinson has an expert knowledge of the glass manufacturing industry and the fact that he has been chosen to fill this responsible office is proof of his superior business ability and executive powers. No detail of the business is so unimportant as to escape his attention, while he also has the ability to see clearly the larger aspects, and has been farsighted in directing the policy of the concern, never deviating from the high standards upon which the business was founded.

Mr. Robinson was married April 28, 1891, to Miss Mary Hahn, whose father, John W. Hahn, is prominently identified with insurance interests of this city, and they have become the parents of two sons: Joseph W. Robinson, the elder, was born in 1892 and after his graduation from high school he attended a preparatory school and Cornell University at Ithaca, New York. He is vice president and general sales manager of the Libbey Glass Manufacturing Company. He enlisted in the World war and saw service overseas, becoming a first lieutenant in the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Field Artillery. He is a thirty-second degree Mason. He married Dorothy Reynolds of Toledo, and they have a daughter, Joan. Jefferson D. Robinson, Jr., was born in 1895, and also attended a preparatory school, later becoming a student at the University of Virginia. He is con-



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nected with the Kent-Owens Machine Company. He also served overseas in the World war in the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Field Artillery and was commissioned a second lieutenant. He married Miss Christine Miller of Toledo, and they have one daughter, Elizabeth.

Jefferson D. Robinson, Sr., is a man of broad humanitarian spirit and his kindly, sympathetic nature has led him to take a deep and helpful interest in the Toledo Newsboys Association, of which he is serving as president. The boys recognize in him a sincere friend and adviser, whose time and means are devoted to their welfare, and his reward is the enduring gratitude and affection of these potential business men of the future. He belongs to the Sanford L. Collins Lodge, F. & A. M., and is a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Merchants & Manufacturers Association, the Rotary Club, the Inverness Club and the Toledo Club. Mr. Robinson is a dominant figure in business circles of Toledo and is at the head of an undertaking which has been a controlling factor in making this city the center for the glass industry. His ideals of life are high and he utilizes every opportunity to climb to their level. He is a self-made man whom to know is to esteem and honor.

JESSE N. DEWEY

Many and varied are the business interests which have contributed to Toledo's growth and upbuilding, some of which have played but a small part in the work of progress, while others have been dominant factors in the steady growth and commercial development of the city. Occupying a place in the foremost rank of business enterprises here is the wholesale fish house of the J. N. Dewey Company, of which the late Jesse N. Dewey was the president and the founder. He was born in Cortland county, New York, August 22, 1839, so that he nearly attained the eighty-third milestone on life's journey. He remained an active factor in the world's work until his death, capably directing the interests of the important business which he had built up. His parents were Simeon and Lorinda (Main) Dewey, the former a native of New Hampshire, while the latter was born in Vermont. At various periods they resided in the Empire state, in Canada, in Michigan and in Ohio. The father was a pioneer in connection with the establishment of stage coach routes and instituted the first stage line between Three Rivers and Montreal, Canada, starting the business prior to the War of 1812. When hostilities were inaugurated between America and the mother country he gave up the stage business and returned to the United States, settling in Buffalo, New York, where he opened a tavern known as the Dewey House. This he successfully conducted for many years and later he purchased a section of land near the present site of Tecumseh, Michigan. There he engaged in farming for a time but afterward sold that property and made investment in a large farm near Monroe, Michigan, after which he concentrated his efforts and attention upon the development and improvement of the land, converting it into one of the excellent farm properties of that locality. It was upon that place that both he and his wife passed away.

Jesse N. Dewey was the last surviving member of a family of four children. As a boy he attended the schools of Monroe, Michigan, and later the high school of Ypsilanti, Michigan, and when his school days were over he turned his attention to a seafaring life, becoming a sailor on the Great Lakes. For a number of years

he was master of vessels, controlling almost every kind of a lake vessel that was engaged in the freight and passenger traffic, from the ordinary sailing ship and brigantine to the later large passenger steamships. Eventually he gave up sailing, however, and in 1866 located at Monroe in order to engage in the wholesale fish business there, establishing his interests under the name of the J. N. Dewey Company. He carried on business at that place for fifteen years and was owner of the original business there but removed to Toledo in 1881, where he established a similar enterprise under the style of the J. N. Dewey Fish Company, and his business was the oldest of its kind along the line of the Great Lakes. He incorporated his interests in 1913 and from the beginning was head of the enterprise, occupying the position of president, with his son, John M. Dewey, as vice president and another son, Roy J. Dewey, as secretary and treasurer. With the passing years a trade of very extensive proportions has been developed and throughout the period the house has enjoyed an unassailable reputation for the fairness and integrity of its dealings and its progressive methods.

On the 1st of September, 1864, Mr. Dewey was married to Miss Adeline F. McMartin of Reading, Michigan, who passed away in Toledo, December 9, 1900. There were six children of that marriage, four of whom are living: John M., who completed his education at the Orchard Lake Military Academy at Orchard Lake, Michigan, and for many years was in charge of the Monroe (Mich.) branch of the J. N. Dewey Company, is now president of the corporation, having succeeded his father in that capacity. Mr. Dewey resides at Monroe. He is the father of three children: Walker, Mrs. Frank Stoner and Edna. The second of the family is Mrs. William Lindsay, who is a graduate of the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and is now residing at St. Petersburg, Florida. Roy J., the third in order of birth in the family of Jesse N. and Adeline F. (McMartin) Dewey, is mentioned at greater length below. Mrs. Herbert Lindsay, who attended Wells College of New York, now resides at Wauwatosa, Wisconsin. She has one daughter, Mary.

Jesse N. Dewey was long a consistent member of the Presbyterian church and an equally loyal supporter of the Masonic fraternity, in which he belonged to Monroe Lodge at Monroe, Michigan, while he attained the Knights Templar degree in Monroe Commandery and was a member of Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine in Toledo. He was also identified with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. His life was one of intense activity and usefulness and he was respected and honored by all—a venerable citizen whose life might well serve as an example to others. The residence of Mr. Dewey for many years was on the southeast corner of Glenwood and Delaware avenues and was erected by him at a time when that now choice residential section of the city was sparsely settled. The death of Mr. Dewey occurred on August 5, 1922, at Nashotah, Wisconsin, at the summer home of his daughter, Mrs. William Lindsay, and he was interred in Woodlawn cemetery of Toledo.

Roy J. Dewey, who is now vice president, secretary and treasurer of the J. N. Dewey Company, is the only member of the family now residing in Toledo. He received his education in the public schools of Toledo and early became identified with his father's business interests. He married Emma Louise Wilcox of Toledo, daughter of Sebra Wilcox, and their three children are: Jesse W., attending the Colorado School of Mines; and Ruth Burdick and Dorothy, both of whom are attending the Scott high school. Mr. Dewey is a thirty-second degree Mason and also belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He likewise has mem-

bership in the Toledo Automobile Club and in the Rotary Club. He is in thorough sympathy with the plans and purposes of the last named organization, which has as its basic element the desire to make Toledo a bigger and a better city, to uphold at all times the highest standards of trade and to advance every project that is a matter of civic virtue and of civic pride. Mr. Dewey is also associated with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. As a business man his position is an enviable one, as he is now in charge of the local wholesale fish house of the J. N. Dewey Company and he stands very high in commercial and in social circles. Mr. Dewey's residence is at No. 3357 Collingwood avenue.

S. D. VINNEDGE

Among the large mercantile enterprises which have been most important factors in promoting the commercial development and prosperity of Toledo is numbered the Lamson Brothers department store, of which S. D. Vinnedge is vice president, and the fact that he has been chosen to fill this important office indicates his executive ability, keen sagacity and forceful personality. He was born in Kokomo, Indiana, October 14, 1882, and is a son of Samuel and Frances (Cottingham) Vinnedge, also natives of the Hoosier state. About 1885 they removed to Chicago and the father became one of the foremost business men of that city. As president of the Vinnedge Brothers Hardwood Lumber Company he controlled one of the largest concerns of the kind in the state, but in 1892 he disposed of all of his interests in Illinois and went to the Canadian Northwest, hoping that an outdoor life would restore his health. He purchased a large ranch near Kelfield, in the province of Saskatchewan, and is now operating that place, being still vigorous and active. The mother also survives and they have become the parents of three children: Clarence, who is living in Detroit, Michigan; Loren, who assists his father in cultivating the ranch; and S. D.

S. D. Vinnedge acquired his education at Evanston, Illinois, and when seventeen years of age was graduated from high school. His initial business experience was obtained in the wholesale dry goods house of the John V. Farwell Company of Chicago and he remained with that concern for several years, during which he became thoroughly familiar with the business. He was afterward connected with retail dry goods firms of Chicago and later went to the Pacific coast, spending some time in Portland, Oregon. In 1912 he returned to the east and took charge of the retail store of the F. Bissell Company of Toledo, which he conducted until 1915, when he became floor manager for the Lamson Brothers Dry Goods Company, with which he has since been connected. His ability soon won recognition on the part of his employers and he was rapidly promoted through the various branches of the business, eventually becoming vice president of one of Toledo's largest dry goods stores. He holds to high standards in the personnel of the house, in the business methods employed and in the treatment accorded patrons and carefully studies every question bearing upon the business, so that he may be able to meet any contingency that may arise. He keeps in close touch with what is being done in each department, no detail being too unimportant to receive his attention, while the larger factors in his affairs are controlled with notable assurance and power. He has an expert knowledge of the business in which he is engaged and is now serving as vice president of the Retail Merchants Bureau of Toledo.

On the 30th of June, 1913, Mr. Vinnedge was married to Miss Marian Lamson, a daughter of J. G. Lamson, a member of the firm of Lamson Brothers and one of Toledo's most substantial business men. They have two children: Virginia, who was born June 24, 1916; and Sidney D., Jr., born June 19, 1918. Mr. Vinnedge has never allowed the acquisition of material prosperity to dull his appreciation of those things which are of cultural value and tend to uplift the individual and as a director of the Toledo Symphony Society he has been largely instrumental in elevating musical standards of the city, while he is also one of the members of the Art Museum. His civic spirit also finds expression in his connection with the Chamber of Commerce, of which he is serving as vice president. He is president of the Toledo Retail Merchants board, is a member of the Inverness Club and the Ad Club and is also identified with the Masonic order, while his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He has ever recognized the fact that each day and hour has its opportunity, and placing his dependence upon industry and ability, he has steadily progressed until he now ranks with the foremost merchants and most valued citizens of Toledo, which has greatly benefited through his activities. Life has been to him purposeful and resultant and his is a well-rounded development.

ADAM R. KUHLMAN

Adam R. Kuhlman is the president and general manager of the Toledo Builders Supply Company and as such occupies a notable position in the commercial circles of the state. Early experience as a contractor enabled him to understand fully the demands made in connection with handling builders' supplies and from the beginning he has contributed to the success of the business in a notable way. Mr. Kuhlman was born in Toledo, at the southeast corner of Erie and Mulberry streets, on October 22, 1862, his parents being Garhart Christian and Mary (Freund) Kuhlman, his father being for many years actively identified with the building trade in Toledo. During his youth the son attended the public schools and when his textbooks were put aside acquainted himself with the molder's trade and also that of brick laying, working along the latter line under the direction of his father. In fact, he continued to assist his father until he had attained his majority, after which he spent four years in the employ of other contractors and builders. When about twenty-five years of age he succeeded to the business of his father, who at that time retired and thereafter Adam R. Kuhlman was an independent contractor and builder of Toledo for a number of years. Later he formed a partnership with Richard Kind for the purpose of dealing in building supplies and in 1902 their interests were consolidated with those of three firms of similar nature under the name of the Toledo Builders Supply Company. The business has been steadily developed until it is now the foremost concern of the kind in northwestern Ohio. Mr. Kuhlman acted as vice president of the company until the death of P. H. Degnan on the 5th of January, 1916, when he succeeded to the position of president and general manager and has so continued. The company has business offices in the Spitzer building and maintains half a dozen yards in different parts of the city, having a very complete equipment and organization for handling the business. The corporation is also identified with the Faced Brick Dealers' Association of America. On the organization of the Ohio Brick Company in 1904

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Mr. Kuhlman was elected its president and general manager and afterward became secretary and treasurer of that corporation. He is a director of The Security Savings Bank and Trust Company, of the Toledo Rex Spray Company, and other important manufacturing and financial interests of the city. His cooperation is regarded as a most valuable asset in the successful conduct of any business enterprise, for his ability, executive force and administrative power are widely recognized and it is known that his judgment concerning the value of a business opportunity or a business transaction is most excellent.

On the 28th of May, 1889, Mr. Kuhlman was united in marriage to Miss Caroline Albrecht, a daughter of Charles and Mary (Oesher) Albrecht of Dunkirk, Chautauqua county, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Kuhlman have a family of six children, namely: Alma, the wife of Rev. T. G. Klinksick, a Lutheran minister; Gertrude; Charles E.; Edwin H.; Luette; and Irene. All of the children are high school graduates, liberal educational advantages being accorded them. Mr. and Mrs. Kuhlman belong to the Salem Evangelical Lutheran church, in the work of which they have taken an active and helpful interest. Mr. Kuhlman is a trustee of The Lutheran Orphan and Old Folks Home and was not only one of the building committee at the time the home was erected, but was an important factor in the highly successful handling of the financing of that institution. Mr. Kuhlman has always voted with the republican party and is ever able to support his position by comprehensive and intelligent argument. He belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, to the Maumee Yacht Club, to the Toledo Builders Exchange, the Toledo Exchange Club and to the Toledo Commerce Club. His various business, club and social relations have brought him a wide acquaintance and everywhere he is spoken of in terms of high regard because of the wise use he has made of his time, talents and opportunities not only in the upbuilding of his own fortunes but in the promotion of public welfare and general progress as well. Mr. Kuhlman's residence is at 2251 Putnam street.

GEORGE WALTON ADAMS

George Walton Adams, called to the position of chief engineer of the waterworks system of Toledo in 1914, has since occupied this position of trust and responsibility. His thorough understanding of engineering principles and his loyalty in the performance of his duties have been the salient qualities that have led to his retention in the office throughout the intervening period. Mr. Adams comes to Ohio from the neighboring state of Michigan, his birth having occurred in Saginaw, on the 10th of September, 1864, his parents being Oliver and Ann (Herricks) Adams. The father, who devoted many years to the occupation of farming, has departed this life.

The son, George Walton Adams, was educated in the public schools of Saginaw and after completing the regular course he learned the machinist's trade and also that of stationary engineer. He at length secured the position of engineer at the sugar mill at Saginaw, in which capacity he was employed for a number of years, when, thinking to find better business opportunities in Toledo, he came to this city in 1913. As engineer he assisted in the installation of the sugar plant machinery here, while later he was engineer at the sugar mill for a year. His present appointment came to him in 1914 and as chief engineer of the waterworks system of Toledo

he is doing excellent work. The plant is notable for its cleanliness and system and Mr. Adams is thoroughly familiar with every phase of the work and the machinery employed in giving Toledo her supply of excellent water. He is diligent and determined and by reason of his capability has worked his way steadily upward.

On the 25th of May, 1885, Mr. Adams was married to Miss Lucy De Bort, a native of Hillsdale, Michigan, and they have become parents of three sons: Archie Milton, who is assistant county clerk of Lucas county, Ohio; Clare W., an electrical engineer connected with the Toledo ship yards; and Carl Woulford, who is in the employ of the post office department.

Mr. Adams is a Mason and is also connected with the Federation of Labor. He loyally adheres to any cause with which he becomes identified and thoroughness and fidelity characterize him in every relation of life.

J. G. KUEHNLE

Many and varied are the business enterprises which go to make up an enterprising and progressive city and the further development, growth and progress of the municipality must depend upon the men who are at the head of its business houses. An active factor in the commercial and manufacturing field is J. G. Kuehnle, who is the president and treasurer of the J. G. Kuehnle Company, owner of lumberyards and engaged in the manufacture of sash, doors and general finishing products. There are no spectacular phases in his career, but his course has been marked by a steady advance, resulting from the thoroughness with which he has mastered every task assigned to him and improved every opportunity that has come his way. He was born on the 5th of April, 1870, in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and is a son of Gottlieb and Ann Marie (Duttling) Kuehnle, the former a contractor and builder who came from Germany to America in 1856, at the age of fourteen years, and remained a resident of this country to his death, which occurred at the advanced age of eighty.

Reared in his native state, J. G. Kuehnle pursued his education in the public schools of Fowlerville, Michigan, and when his school days were over he joined his father in building operations, gaining a thorough knowledge of the trade and of lumber values. In 1891, thinking to find a broader field of labor in Toledo, he removed to this city, where he continued in business as a building contractor until 1897, becoming well established in that line. In the year mentioned, however, he organized the J. G. Kuehnle Company, of which he became the president and treasurer and as chief executive of the business has since directed its interests. In this connection he is conducting lumberyards and a planing mill devoted to the manufacture of sash, doors and general finishing products for building. He makes special features for homes and has developed one of the important industries of this character in the city, having a plant that covers two acres and furnishes employment to sixty people. Nor has he confined his attention alone to this line, for he is also the president and treasurer of the Witker Manufacturing Company, which employs thirty people in the manufacture of finishing materials for building. Both enterprises are proving remunerative and Mr. Kuehnle has become well established in the manufacturing circles of Toledo. He also owns and cultivates a farm of one hundred acres at Howell, Michigan.

On the 29th of March, 1893, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Kuehnle

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and Miss Mary A. Stewart of Fowlerville, Michigan, and they have become the parents of two children: Hazel, who is now the wife of James S. Vinson, a salesman of Toledo; and Ethel, the wife of Ralph J. Valentine, who is with the J. G. Kuehnle Company. Mr. Kuehnle has also reared two boys as his own sons, Wilburt and Bernard. Mr. Kuehnle greatly enjoys touring in his motor car and turns to this for recreation. He is a member of the Rotary Club, which indicates his position as a leader in the line of business which he represents, and of the Commerce Club he has been a member for many years. He is in hearty sympathy with the purposes of the club to upbuild and promote business conditions, to advance civic standards and to develop Americanization by the inculcation of the highest ideals of American citizenship both among the native and the foreign born. His residence is at No. 1515 Ketcham avenue.

ELDON HAAG YOUNG

Eldon Haag Young, who in the year 1919 opened a law office in Toledo, where he has since engaged in general practice, was born in Liberty Center, Ohio, January 8, 1895, and is a son of Ward W. and Adella (Haag) Young. The father is a merchant, now retired from active business.

In his youthful days Eldon H. Young attended the public schools of his native city, passing through consecutive grades to the high school, and when he had completed the course there he entered upon preparation for the bar, becoming a student in the Hamilton College of Law at Chicago, where he pursued the full course and was admitted to practice in 1916. Taking his place at the bar of that city, he remained in active practice there for three years, or until 1919, when he came to Toledo, where he has resided during the intervening period. His attention is concentrated upon his professional interests and duties and his practice is steadily growing in volume and importance. He is very thorough and painstaking in the preparation of his cases and clear and concise in his presentation of a cause before the court.

On the 2d of April, 1918, Mr. Young enlisted for service in the World war, becoming a yeoman in the navy. He was on duty for ten months in the naval department at Washington, D. C., and was mustered out in January, 1919. About two and a half years later, or on the 29th of June, 1921, he wedded Blanche Stacy and they have many warm friends in the city where they now reside. While Mr. Young has only passed the twenty-seventh milestone on life's journey, he has made substantial progress in his chosen life work and the profession regards him as a valued asset among its younger representatives in Toledo.

CLARENCE D. BRIGGS

C. D. Briggs, an enterprising and progressive business man, is one of the successful investment dealers of Toledo, and in business circles of the city his standing is of the highest. He was born in Elmira, New York, February 25, 1875, and his parents were John B. and Fannie (Krum) Briggs, who came to Toledo from the Empire state in 1895. The father was a newspaper publisher in Elmira and after-

ward came to Toledo, where, for many years, he was connected with the Toledo Blade. He was well known as a journalist of ability. His death occurred in this city on the 25th of April, 1921, when he was seventy-five years of age. The mother is still a resident of Toledo.

In the schools of Elmira, New York, Lynn, Massachusetts, and at Alfred University, New York, C. D. Briggs obtained his education, and on starting out in life for himself he entered the field of journalism, serving as financial reporter on the Toledo Blade, The Toledo Bee and The Sunday Journal. On June 1, 1907, he turned his attention to the bond business, becoming a salesman for the pioneer municipal bond house of Toledo, Spitzer & Company, well known throughout the country, with whom he continued until January 22, 1912. He then engaged in business for himself, and is now the head of C. D. Briggs & Company, dealers in municipal bonds and other high grade securities. His success is the reward for his comprehensive knowledge of financial affairs, his executive ability, his indefatigable energy, and straightforward and honorable business ethics.

At Goshen, Indiana, on the 16th of September, 1905, Mr. Briggs was married to Miss Mary Starr, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Starr, the former at one time owner of the Toledo Bee. To this union was born a daughter, Martha Virginia, on February 20, 1909.

Mr. Briggs is a member of the Toledo Club and was one of the early members of the old University Club.

WILLIAM ELMER WHITE

William Elmer White, organizer and president of the White Cross Radiator Company, manufacturing and handling radiators and doing expert work on radiators, bodies, fenders and gas tanks, has through a period of five years built up a business of very gratifying proportions. Commendable ambition and desire for legitimate success have prompted him so to direct his efforts as to gain a place among the representative iron merchants of the city. Piqua, Ohio, numbers him among her native sons, his birth having there occurred April 15, 1883, his parents being William and Sarah (Marietta) White. The father is a decorator and painter, who has conducted business along those lines for a long period.

The youthful experiences of William Elmer White were such as come to most boys, and play and work occupied his attention until after he had completed his education in the public schools of his native city. He then faced the business world and took his initial step therein as an employe in the iron mills. After working for a time in that connection he took up sheet metal work and as a young man removed to Dayton, Ohio, where he was employed in the car shops of Barney & Smith. Throughout practically his entire life he has been identified with mechanical pursuits and his training and experience in the employ of others have constituted an excellent foundation upon which he has built his later success.

The year 1910 witnessed the arrival of Mr. White in Toledo, in which year he entered the employ of the Overland Company, with which he was associated until 1917. He then felt that his capital and his experience justified him in establishing business on his own account and with the money saved from his earnings he capitalized the White Cross Radiator Company, of which he has been president since its organization. The business is located at No. 720 and 722 Champlain

street and there, in connection with the sale and manufacture of radiators, Mr. White does all kinds of expert repair work on radiators, bodies, fenders and gas tanks. His business has steadily grown and developed and is now one of the most important in its line in the city.

On the 8th of March, 1904, Mr. White was married to Miss Alice Saner of Piqua, Ohio, and they have become the parents of six children: Etelka, Myrtle, Catherine, Edith, Wilma and William Stewart. Mr. White's interest centers in his family and in his business. He has never been a club man nor active in politics but has concentrated his efforts upon the upbuilding of a substantial trade, and now employs from six to ten workmen.

GILBERT SANFORD WHALER

While still in his minority Gilbert Sanford Whaler became connected with the real estate business and in this field of labor his efforts have since been directed. He is now well known among the capable, prominent and successful realtors of Toledo, where he has gained many clients. He was born in Canton, Ohio, August 12, 1883, and is a son of Ira and Amelia C. (Snyder) Whaler, also natives of Canton, where the father engaged in business as a carpenter and cabinetmaker, thus becoming closely associated with the industrial development and progress of that city.

Gilbert S. Whaler, spending his youthful days under the parental roof, pursued his education in the public schools of Canton until he reached the age of nine years, when with the removal of the family to Toledo he continued his studies in this city. As a youth of eighteen he entered the real estate business and, working along this line, has since made continuous progress, gaining intimate and accurate knowledge of realty conditions and values and negotiating many important property transfers. Few men are so thoroughly informed concerning real estate in Toledo as is Mr. Whaler, and his clientage is now very large.

On July 26, 1922, Mr. Whaler was united in marriage to Miss Edith Ward. Mr. Whaler belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and also to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and his interest is tangibly manifested in those public activities which are looking to the general welfare and further development and improvement of the city.

CLAUDE R. BANKER

Claude R. Banker, a prominent attorney of Toledo, has been identified with the bar of this city for the past thirteen years and has clearly demonstrated his ability to solve intricate and involved legal problems. He was born near Middletown, in Butler county, Ohio, March 19, 1883, and is a son of Harvey and Sallie A. (Schenck) Banker. The father was born in the house in which the birth of the subject of this review occurred and the mother was a native of New Brunswick, New Jersey. When Mrs. Banker was but two weeks old her mother died and a fortnight later she was placed in the care of friends of her parents. She was taken by them to Ohio and was reared, educated and married in this state. The father of

Claude R. Banker was a successful farmer and contractor. Mr. and Mrs. Banker are now residing at Middletown, Ohio, Mr. Banker having retired from active business pursuits. They became the parents of six children, of whom five are living: Charles, Lucy, Maude and Earl, all residents of Middletown, Ohio; and Claude R.

Claude R. Banker attended the grammar schools at Poast Town, Ohio, and in 1902 he was graduated from the Middletown high school, afterward entering the Ohio State University, which conferred upon him the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1906, while two years later he was graduated from the law department of that institution. In November, 1908, he came to Toledo, becoming an assistant in the office of R. S. Holbrook, a well known attorney of this city, who in 1914 admitted him to a partnership. He is now a member of the firm of Holbrook, Banker & Lewis, which is conducting a large law business, its clientele being a representative one. Mr. Banker is a man of analytical mind, studious, well versed in the law, clear and concise in his presentation of a case and logical in his deductions. He is a republican in his political views and is a member of Delta Upsilon, a fraternity of the Ohio State University, being also identified with the Lucas County Bar Association. He is a member of the Masonic order, belonging to Toledo Lodge, No. 144, F. & A. M., and he is likewise connected with the Toledo Commerce Club. He holds to high standards in his professional service, has great respect for the dignity of his calling and zealously devotes his energies to his chosen vocation.

ALVIN ERNEST BUCHENBERG

Alvin Ernest Buchenberg, an electrical engineer of broad experience and acknowledged ability, is now serving as vice president of the Electric Auto-Lite Corporation and has materially promoted the success of one of the important productive industries of Toledo. He was born in Davenport, Iowa, June 4, 1878, and is a son of Frederick and Elizabeth (Kruetzfeld) Buchenberg, both of whom are of European birth and came to the United States in early life. They became residents of Toledo and for a number of years the father was connected with mercantile interests of the city, but he is now living at Holgate, Ohio. The mother also survives. Four children have been born to them: Alvin E., Mrs. Clara Fast and Mrs. Alma Wallhausen, all of Toledo; and Mrs. Olga Rothenberger, whose home is at Napoleon, Ohio.

Following his graduation from the high school at Holgate, Alvin Ernest Buchenberg became a student at the Ohio State University and in 1900 he completed a course in electrical engineering in that institution. For four years he was employed as a consulting engineer at Sandusky, Ohio, and he then came to Toledo, at first organizing the Electric Power Maintenance Company. After severing his relation with that firm he became connected with the Electric Auto-Lite Corporation, of which he is now serving as vice president. He has labored untiringly to broaden the scope of the undertaking and his professional skill and business acumen have been determining factors in the success which has attended the activities of the company.

At Deshler, Ohio, on the 10th of December, 1902, Mr. Buchenberg was married to Miss Nina Watson, a daughter of Hugh Watson and Della (Jackson) Watson, members of a prominent family of Grelton, Ohio. They have two chil-

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dren: Margaret, whose birth occurred in 1909; and Alvin E., Jr., who was born in 1913. They are natives of Toledo and pupils in the public schools of the city.

During the Spanish-American war Mr. Buchenberg saw service in Cuba as a member of the Second Corps of Engineers, remaining in active military duty until the close of hostilities. He is a blue lodge Mason and his political support is given to the republican party. He is also a valued member of the Toledo Club, Toledo Chamber of Commerce and the Merchants & Manufacturers Association. He has depended upon industry and ability for advancement and his entire career has been actuated by a spirit of progress that has been productive of substantial results. He stands for all those things which count for most in the city's upbuilding and among those with whom business or social relations have brought him into contact he is held in the highest regard. Mr. Buchenberg's residence is on the River road.

ELLEN MARY KERLIN

Ellen Mary Kerlin is the office manager of the American Pipe & Tube Company and displays marked business ability and capacity in this connection. Her record is another proof of the fact that woman is adequate to any demand made upon her and can fill any place in the business world for which her physical strength and endurance are sufficient. Miss Kerlin is a native of Red Mountain, Colorado, and a daughter of Thomas and Helen (Larson) Kerlin, the former a miner. When Ellen Mary Kerlin was but four years of age her parents removed to Arkansas, where they remained for a year and then came to Toledo, so that her education was partially acquired in the public schools of this city. She afterward attended the Notre Dame Convent and later pursued an academic course in the Toledo University but before entering the university she taught school for a year in Custer, Ohio.

In the year 1912 her father died and it was in that year that she made her first venture into the commercial world by becoming connected with the multigraph business, to which she devoted about two years. In 1914 she went into business with her uncle and acquired a substantial interest in the American Pipe & Tube Company of Toledo, with offices and plant at Nos. 2816 to 2834 Chase street. The company are dealers in pipe for oil, gas, water mains and also take contracts for line construction. Miss Kerlin is the office manager of the business and has an intimate knowledge of every phase of the work. Her uncle had developed a large pipe line business which was started first in a little shop on Hamilton street and afterward removed to the Olive house and yard. Then, owing to the need of shipping facilities, they removed to their present location, where they could secure a railroad siding. They have also recently opened an office at Hamilton, Ontario, to take care of their Canadian business, which is constantly growing.

Miss Ellen M. Kerlin is not the only representative of her family in Toledo, for her sister, Marie Kerlin, is a teacher in the schools of this city and her brother, Thomas is a student at St. John's College. An older sister, Agnes, is a student at the Chicago University. Miss Ellen M. Kerlin is further preparing herself for the activities and responsibilities of the business world by pursuing a course in law at St. John's College.

In church and club work Miss Kerlin takes a deep and helpful interest. She

is a member of the Salesian Club, in which she is serving as a trustee, and she also belongs to the National Catholic Council of Women. She is likewise a member of St. Patrick's Catholic church and politically is a believer in the principles of the democratic party. She does not seem to regard it as unusual that she is engaged in her present business, but all who know her have the highest admiration for what she has accomplished and the important part she is playing in the business world.

FRANKLIN BURTON JONES

Important business interests claim the attention of Franklin Burton Jones, president of the Acme Coal & Builders Supply Company and a self-made man whom Toledo regards as a valuable addition to its citizenship, for he is quick in perception, swift in decision, energetic and persistent in action, and has always been an advocate of progressive development. He was born in Rochester, New York, November 29, 1871, a son of Franklin and Harriet (Wilson) Jones, who were also natives of the Empire state, in which they spent their lives, the father devoting his attention to architectural work. He enlisted for service in the Civil war and was wounded in the first battle of Bull Run. He was captured and confined in Libby prison but managed to escape by means of a tunnel which he and eleven other Union soldiers succeeded in constructing under the walls of the building. The injuries which he received in battle eventually led to his death. The mother has also passed away.

The youngest in a family of three children, Franklin Burton Jones attended the grammar schools of Rochester, New York, and after completing the work of the eighth grade he learned the trade of an interior decorator. Subsequently he engaged in the business on his own account and for several years successfully conducted his interests in that city, but later sold out, going to Cleveland, Ohio, where he established a similar enterprise, which he continued to operate for ten years. In 1903 Mr. Jones came to Toledo, where he at once entered business circles, selecting a site on Front street, in the eastern part of the city. The location at that time was in the midst of a swamp and was not considered a desirable one, but he at once began filling in his lot, which today stands on one of the most valuable business corners in East Toledo, having both rail and water facilities. He organized the Acme Coal & Builders Supply Company, of which he is president and treasurer, starting in a small way, and the business has kept pace with the development of the city. He displays marked executive ability, foresight and enterprise in the management of his interests and the exercise of effort keeps him alert.

On the 10th of August, 1903, Mr. Jones was united in marriage to Miss N. B. Brothers. They have no children of their own, but are rearing two nieces of Mrs. Jones, Cora and Gladys Brothers, both of whom are attending the public schools. In matters of citizenship Mr. Jones is loyal, progressive and public-spirited and during the World war he served as chairman of the Liberty Loan committee for the fifteenth ward for a period of two years, directing the activities of two hundred and fifteen men and women and devoting much of his time to government work. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and on the 1st of May, 1922, he entered upon his second term as a member of the board of election commissioners. He is a Presbyterian in religious faith and his fraternal

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connections are with the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Merchants & Manufacturers Association and the Builders Exchange and is a popular clubman, belonging to the Kiwanis, East Side Commerce, Toledo Commerce, Toledo Yacht, East Side Luncheon, Maumee River Yacht, Toledo Athletic, Inverness Country and Orpheus clubs, having been president of the last named organization for the past five years. He is a man of well balanced capacities and powers who has steadily progressed since his initial effort was made in the business world, and his labors have found culmination in the development of a large commercial enterprise, which has not only been a source of individual profit but has also been an element in promoting the industrial expansion and prosperity of his city. His home is at Potomac and Grand avenues, Westmoreland.

WILLIAM JOHN MONAGHAN

Not only in Toledo but in various sections of Ohio and in other states as well, are found the evidences of the labor and ability of William John Monaghan, one of the foremost construction engineers of the Maumee valley. Some of the largest plants of this and other cities stand as monuments to his skill and ability as an engineer, and coworkers in the profession acknowledge his superior powers. Mr. Monaghan is a native son of Toledo and his entire record reflects credit and honor upon the city. His natal day was June 10, 1862, his parents being John and Ann (Byrne) Monaghan. The father, a carpenter and bridge builder, assisted in building some of the first bridges along the line of the Wabash Railroad and later was in charge of the wrecking crew for that corporation, remaining in the employ of the railroad company for a period of forty-eight years.

William J. Monaghan, whose name introduces this review, pursued his education in the parochial schools while spending his youthful days in Toledo and in 1876 he took up work as a millwright, thoroughly learning the trade. From early life he has displayed skill along mechanical lines and he has developed his native talent until he now stands as one of the prominent builders and engineering architects of this section of the country. For a time he served as superintendent of construction with the building of the Church of the Immaculate Conception of Toledo. He was also identified with the building of the Lucas county courthouse, setting the steel on that structure. He also became one of the organizers of the De Vore Company of engineering architects, of which he is the vice president. It was this company that built the Toledo Glass Works, also the Libbey Owens plant, and the Owens Bottle Company at Charleston, West Virginia, the Owens Bottle plant at Glassboro, New Jersey, the plant of the International Harvester Company at Springfield, Ohio, the Canadian Libbey Owens plant at Hamilton, Ontario, and still others of almost equal size and importance. Mr. Monaghan is thoroughly acquainted with all of the great scientific principles which underlie his work and the development of his powers has brought him into prominence in the broad field in which he labors.

On the 21st of January, 1886, Mr. Monaghan was married to Miss Margaret E. Lynch of Toledo and they have a family of six children: John Peter; Margaret, who is now Mrs. Morman Rier of this city; William Charles, living in Cleveland, Ohio; Joseph of Toledo; James Lynch, who is a practicing attorney; and Mollie, who is yet a student. The religious faith of the family is that of the Catholic

church, their membership being in St. Francis De Sales and Mr. Monaghan is also connected with the Knights of Columbus. He has never been active as a club man or in political and social circles but has concentrated his efforts and attention upon his business activities and the certain rewards of earnest and persistent labor are now his.

GEORGE A. BRAUN

George A. Braun was one of the founders of the Bostwick-Braun Company, hardware merchants, numbered among the largest business enterprises of Toledo. For many years he has thus been closely associated with the hardware trade of the city and is still chairman of the board, although leaving in considerable measure to others the active management and control of the business, for Mr. Braun has passed the eighty-second milestone on life's journey, his birth having occurred in Lorain county, Ohio, May 18, 1841. He is a son of Louis and Catherine (Henninger) Braun, both of whom were natives of Germany, whence they came to America in early life. They were married in Cleveland, Ohio, and the father afterward engaged in farming near Amherst, this state, there cultivating and developing a large tract of land. Both he and his wife passed away in the year 1851.

George A. Braun was thus left an orphan at the age of nine years. In his youthful days he attended the country schools near his home and after his parents' death he went to live with relatives in Cleveland. There he continued his education in the grade schools of that city and after putting aside his textbooks he went to work in the clothing store of his uncle, a Mr. Althen, and later worked in a confectionery store of another uncle, a Mr. Heiser, both at Cleveland, Ohio. He was thus employed until 1862, when at the age of twenty years he enlisted for service in the Union army in the Civil war, becoming a private of the One Hundred and Fiftieth Ohio Regiment. He served with the Federal troops for ten months and was commissioned a sergeant. Following his return to the north he engaged in the hardware business in the store of his uncle, Henry Luetkemeyer, with whom he continued for fourteen years, becoming familiar with every phase of the hardware trade. On the expiration of that period he came to Toledo and with Mr. Bostwick purchased the business of Rolf & Company. This was a small, struggling concern, but with marked energy and determination Mr. Braun and his partner took hold of the enterprise. It was continued under the same name for eight years, at the end of which time the firm style was changed to the Bostwick-Braun Company. They conducted a wholesale and retail hardware business and developed it into one of the largest enterprises of the kind in this section of the country. The firm has a similar store at Cleveland, Ohio, and the mammoth interests are the direct result and outcome of the first small establishment. Today between five hundred and six hundred people are employed in the two stores and the firm ranks among the leaders in the hardware trade of the country. Mr. Braun was for twelve years president of the Bostwick-Braun Company but at the present time holds the position of chairman of the board. His has indeed been an active and useful life and his progressive spirit has carried him steadily forward, so that he has achieved most gratifying results. He has displayed marked ability in discriminating between the essential and the non-essential in all business affairs and in combining and correlating apparently diverse interests into a unified and harmonious whole. His labors have

at all times been far-reaching and resultant and not only has he gained a notable place in hardware circles but also in financial circles. Since the 10th of January, 1883, Mr. Braun has been a director of the Second National Bank of Toledo. He is also the president of the Toledo Collateral Loan Company, a director of the Interstate Collateral Loan Company, and of the Cincinnati Collateral Loan Company.

Mr. Braun belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and is likewise identified with the Toledo Club, the Country Club, the Maumee River Yacht Club and the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. His religious faith is evidenced in his membership in the First Presbyterian church. He has ever been loyal to any cause which he has espoused and the organizations to which he belongs have always considered him a valuable asset in the membership. His life has been actuated by the spirit of advancement and determination has enabled him to overcome all obstacles and difficulties in his path and make steady progress. Those who know him—and he has a wide acquaintance—esteem him as a man of high business principles and integrity and entertain for him the greatest respect, by reason of what he has accomplished in the course of an active and energetic life.

WILLIAM EDWARD WINE

Thorough training and comprehensive experience have gained William Edward Wine a most gratifying and enviable position in mechanical engineering circles, his entire life work having been directed along this line. In 1913 he came to Toledo, where he organized his present business conducted under the name of the Wine Railway Appliance Company. He had previously had broad experience in the south and other sections of the country in connection with various lines of mechanical engineering. He was born in Bridgewater, Virginia, September 20, 1881, and is a son of John Henry and Jennie (Berry) Wine. The father is a planter, who still makes his home in the Old Dominion.

During his boyhood days William Edward Wine mastered the branches of learning taught in the public and private schools of Virginia and also attended the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, from which he was graduated with the class of 1904. His preliminary training was thus thorough and he became an instructor in graphics in the Virginia Polytechnic School, a position which he occupied for a year. He was afterward with the Fairbanks Morse Company at Beloit, Wisconsin, as a special apprentice for a period of a year and his experience there added largely to his knowledge and efficiency. He next became associated with the Seaboard Air Line Railroad as a draftsman, spending some time in the mechanical department of that road, after which he was with the Atlanta, Birmingham & Atlantic Railroad as chief draftsman. Each change in his business career has marked a forward step, resulting from his developing powers and commendable ambition. For a time he was associated with the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad at Wilmington, North Carolina, in the capacity of chief draftsman, while later he was made shop engineer, his two positions with that road covering a period of six years. He was next made assistant mechanical engineer and occupied the place for a year. In the meantime he had done considerable experimental work and perfected several inventions which he has patented. In 1913 he came to Toledo, where he organized the Wine Railway Appliance Company, of which he is the president. This company is manufacturing devices which he has patented and which are finding a ready sale on the market. He

is also the vice president of the Industrial Steel Castings Company. He has high professional standing, resulting from his broad experience and thorough study and he is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

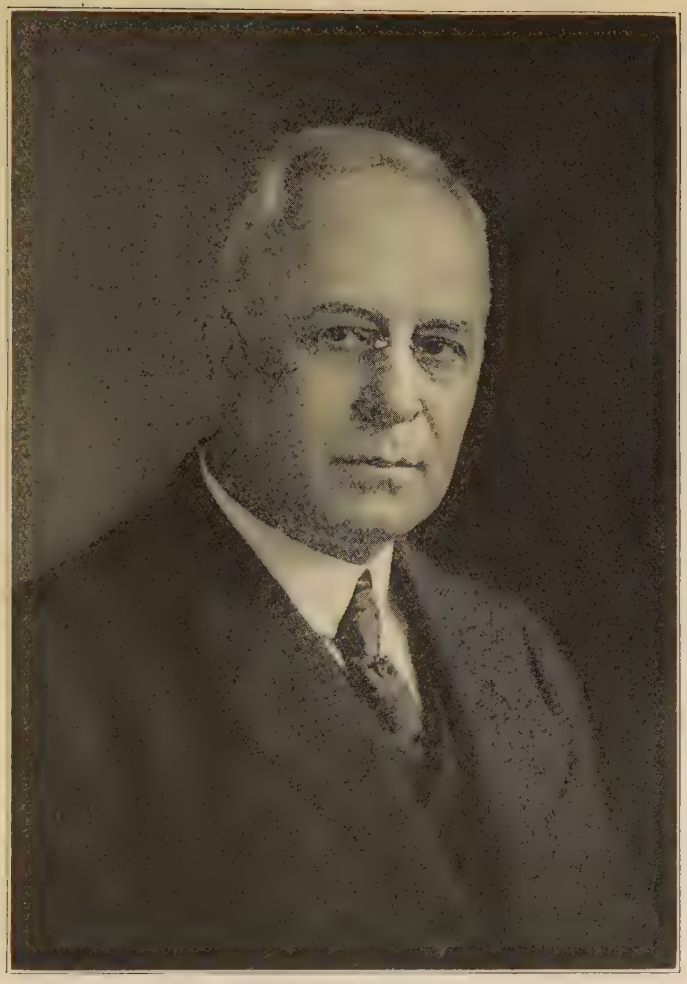
ALVA LEONARD SPRING

Alva Leonard Spring, long well known in financial and real estate circles in Toledo, was born in New York city, February 28, 1864. He was a son of Marshall and Elizabeth Sarah Spring. His father died when he was about sixteen years of age. His mother is still living in New York city.

Alva L. Spring received his education in the graded and high schools of New York city, where his father was engaged in the wholesale meat business, which business he entered for a short time upon the death of his father. Later he held a position as traveling auditor for an eastern concern. Mr. Spring came to Toledo in 1886. He was employed by the Toledo Blade and later became manager of The I. H. Detwiler Company. During his connection with this company he became interested in The Toledo Savings Association, which was founded by A. K. Detwiler. Mr. Spring acted as assistant secretary for about six years and in 1908 was elected secretary, which position he ably occupied for a period of thirteen years, or until his death.

Mr. Spring was one of the organizers of The Oak Realty Company and the prime factor in its success. He served as its president for a number of years and owned practically all of its stock. The Oak Realty Company bought and developed much property in different sections of the city, erecting many substantial homes and disposing of them on the most liberal terms. The company required no payment down, thus encouraging and enabling thrifty patrons to become home owners. He did much during his connection with these corporations to help upbuild the city by making it possible for people of moderate incomes to have substantial and attractive homes. As a business man he was thoroughly progressive. The fine new building of The Toledo Savings Association on Superior street was designed and constructed after plans and ideas worked out by Mr. Spring, the banking rooms being among the handsomest in the city. However, he occupied his office in the new structure only a few months and the building was not fully completed until after his death.

On the 15th of October, 1921, Mr. Spring was united in marriage to Miss Nettie M. McDonald, daughter of Edward J. and Jane M. McDonald. By a former marriage Mr. Spring had two children: Laura A., who is now Mrs. Edward H. Mitchell of Clearwater, Florida; and Marshall M., living in Toledo. Mr. Spring died November 3, 1921. He was a member of Trinity church; Toledo Lodge, No. 144, F. & A. M., a prominent member of the Exchange Club, being a past president, and was treasurer of the National Exchange Club at the time of his death. He was for many years financial secretary of Ideal Council, No. 231, and past president of Lucas County Cabinet National Union. He was a member of the Toledo Club, the Commerce Club and at the time of his death he was a member of the executive committee of the Ohio Building Association League and Treasurer of the City League. His political allegiance was given to the republican party. He was a man of integrity and absolute justice. While not given to the ostentatious display of charity, he was a man of most generous spirit. His



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benevolence was of that practical character which gives the poor a chance and made it possible for them to own their homes. He constantly reached out along lines of helpfulness of this kind and in many other ways extended an assisting hand to those who needed aid. The sterling traits of his character were many, as attested by the legion of friends who mourn his demise.

JOSEPH JACKSON

Joseph Jackson, president of the firm of Joseph Jackson & Sons, contractors of Toledo, came to this city a poor boy and through persistency of purpose and indefatigable energy has worked his way upward until he is today one of the prosperous and highly respected residents of northwestern Ohio. A native of England, he was born in Lincolnshire, January 15, 1851, and is a son of William and Sarah (Cullen) Jackson, who were also natives of that land, where they spent their lives, the father devoting his attention to the occupation of farming throughout his active life. He passed away in England in the year 1876. His wife survived until 1887.

In his boyhood days Joseph Jackson attended the common schools of his native land but at an early age was required to go to work and thus provide for his own support. He continued to live at home until his twentieth year, when he determined to try his fortune in the new world, and bidding adieu to friends and family he sailed for the United States. On reaching the eastern coast he continued toward his destination, Toledo, and at once entered the employ of his brother, Thomas Jackson, who owned a small farm on the east side, along Brown road. Mr. Jackson, worked at farm work for his brother for one year. After that period Joseph Jackson secured a position with John W. Moon, a carpenter, under whom he learned the trade, receiving twelve dollars per month for the first year, sixteen dollars per month for the second year and twenty dollars per month for the third year. Two years later he became a partner of Mr. Moon and the association was thus maintained for eight years. They worked largely on the east side and the first individual job that Mr. Jackson did on the west side was to remodel the home of Joseph Bonner. He early established a reputation for honesty and reliability that has ever been one of the valuable assets in his business career, and thus winning a well merited reputation for integrity as well as thorough workmanship, business soon came to him unsolicited and he was recognized as one of the best builders of the city. Since then he has specialized in fine residences and has erected some of the most beautiful homes of the city. A short time after he started out independently it was necessary for him to employ workmen and as his sons grew to manhood they joined him in a partnership that has since been maintained, the business being now carried on under the style of Joseph Jackson & Sons, contractors and builders. They have long enjoyed an extensive patronage and the business has developed year by year until it is one of the most important of its kind in Toledo.

Mr. Jackson was united in marriage on the 20th of January, 1873, in Erie, Michigan, to Miss Rebecca Moon of Toledo. She was born in the state of New York, May 23, 1852, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Trayton Moon, and she passed away on August 6, 1904. There were eight children of that marriage: Mrs. Hattie Welever, who was educated in the public schools of Toledo and is still in this city; William T., a member of the firm of Joseph Jackson & Sons and also a member

of the city service board, while in Masonic circles he is widely known as a Consistory Mason; James D., who attended the Steadman Business College and is also one of the partners in the firm of Joseph Jackson & Sons; Mrs. Mary Eva Wakefield, who resides in Toledo; Walter, who is now on the clerical force of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Toledo; Edith, at home; Ethel, a teacher in Waite high school; and Mrs. Mildred Williams, who resides in Toledo.

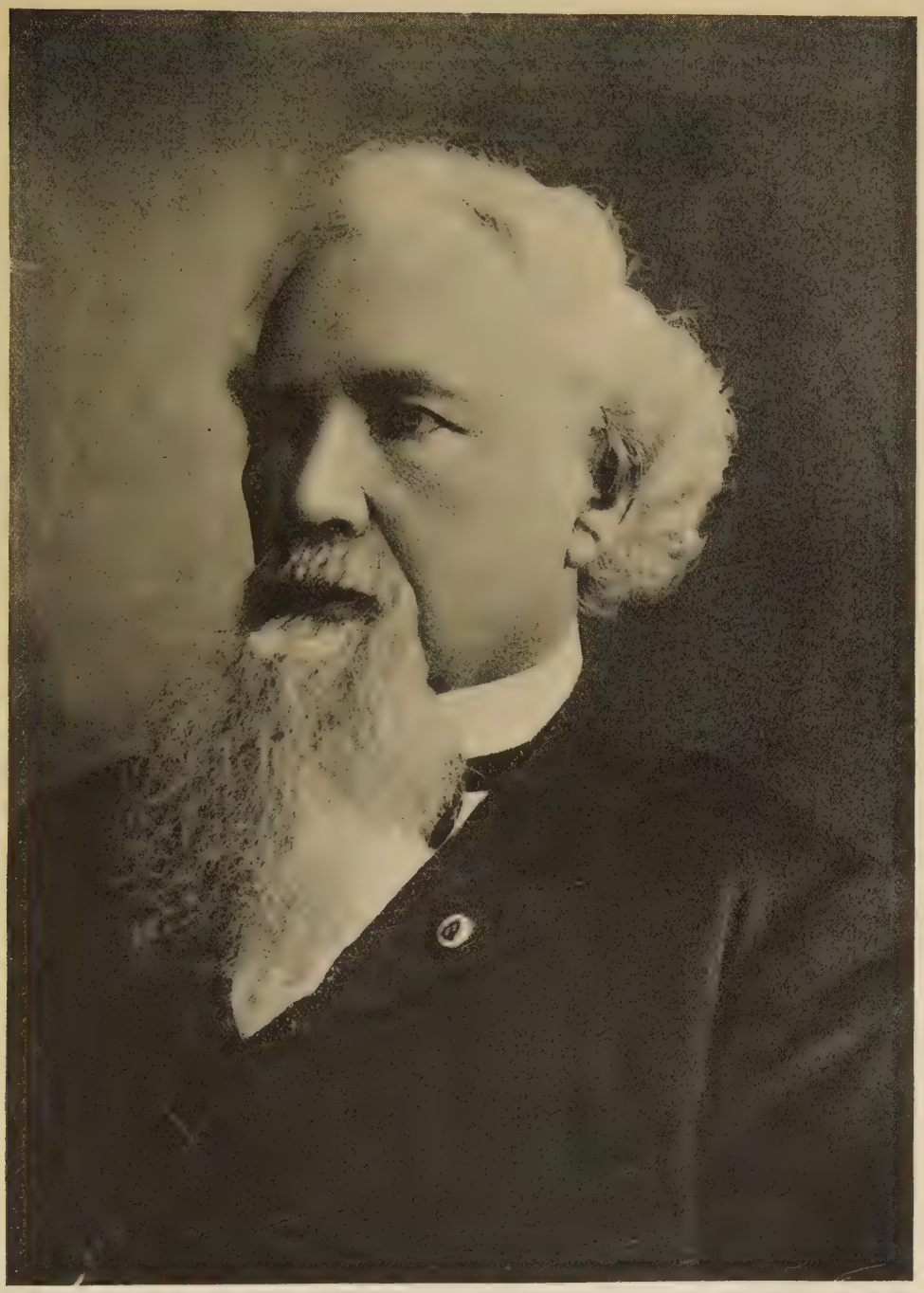
Mr. Jackson usually gives his political allegiance to the republican party and for one term he served as a member of the city council, while from time to time he has filled other public offices, including two terms as a member of the city service board, and to these duties and interests he has ever been most loyal. He belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, with which organization he has been identified for more than forty years, holding stanchly to the beneficent principles which underlie the society. He started out in life empty-handed, but he possessed courage and determination and these stood him in the stead of fortune. When at length he took up carpenter work he felt that he had found a field of labor that was entirely congenial and he developed great thoroughness and efficiency in this line. Steadily he advanced until he was qualified to engage in the business on his own account and to employ others instead of being employed. Gradually his interests have unfolded in scope and volume and his position is today that of one of the foremost contractors of the city. Mr. Jackson's residence has been for nearly fifty years at what is now No. 919 East Broadway.

HERMAN HENRY BIRKENKAMP

During the last thirteen years of his life Herman Henry Birkenkamp lived retired, but for many years before he had been active as a liveryman and afterward as a funeral director and embalmer. He belonged to that class of substantial citizens upon whose efforts depend the business advancement and steady growth of the city, because of his support of all those interests and activities which feature as factors in general improvement and progress. Mr. Birkenkamp was a native of Osnabruck, Hanover, Germany, born July 25, 1835, second son of John Henry and Grace (Wroeden) Birkenkamp. The father was a marble contractor. Both he and his wife passed away in Hanover in 1853.

Throughout the period of his minority H. H. Birkenkamp remained a resident of Hanover and there obtained a public school education, while later for five years he provided for his own support by driving a team for the fire department in his home town. On August 1, 1856, he and his prospective bride and a colony of about fifty other people from Hanover started for the United States, taking passage on the sailing ship Clio, which after a stormy voyage of seven weeks and two days dropped anchor in the harbor of New York on the 22d of September, 1856. Accompanying Mr. Birkenkamp were his brothers and sisters and they took the route via Dunkirk, New York, and thence to Toledo, where another brother, William Birkenkamp, had settled in 1853, the latter meeting them at the old depot on Lafayette and St. Clair streets, the building yet standing.

H. H. Birkenkamp arrived at his destination practically empty-handed, for he possessed but twenty-seven cents. Necessity, therefore, made it imperative that he gain immediate employment and he scorned no occupation that would yield him an honest living. He first worked at sawing wood, for which he received one



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dollar and with this he purchased a sawbuck. In the summer of 1858 he was in the employ of the firm of Thorne & Hathaway, lumber dealers, and while thus working he had the misfortune to break his arm in 1859. Because this incapacitated him for various kinds of work he accepted a position as night watchman and thus served until the spring of 1861. He then purchased an old horse and two-wheel dray and for six years engaged in the transfer and delivery business between hotels and depots. He was ambitious and energetic, however, and he made good use of every opportunity to advance his fortune, so that in 1867 he purchased his first carriage—one of gold and silver mountings, the only one of its kind in the city, and it attracted much attention. This constituted his start in the livery business. His patronage along that line steadily increased, so that he enlarged his equipment from time to time, and for a considerable period he had one of the leading livery establishments in the city. In 1877 he extended the scope of his activities to include the undertaking, embalming and funeral director business and such was the growth of his patronage in that connection that he was soon forced to concentrate his entire efforts and attention upon this branch. For some time prior to his death he was the oldest undertaker of Toledo and he long maintained a foremost position in the ranks of the undertakers in the city. In the early days he located at the corner of Broadway and Jervis street and his family was the third to establish a home on what is now the south side. There he built his residence, also his business headquarters, and he continued active as a funeral director and embalmer with his three sons, Herman, Henry and William, until about 1901, when because of poor health he turned over his interests to his two sons, Henry J. and William H., who are still conducting the business, which has always been under the name of H. H. Birkenkamp.

On the 8th of November, 1856, in the German Reformed church at Lagrange and Erie streets in Toledo, Mr. Birkenkamp was united in marriage, by the Rev. Henry Eschemeier, to Miss Elizabeth A. Ehlert, who was born June 28, 1838, and had crossed the Atlantic on the same ship with him. For fifty-eight years they traveled life's journey happily together, sharing with each other the joys and sorrows, the adversity and prosperity which checker the careers of all. Mrs. Birkenkamp is remarkably active for one of her years. By her marriage she became the mother of ten children, of whom three sons and five daughters are living. There are also fourteen grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. The two oldest of the children, now deceased, were: John C., who became an undertaker and worked at his profession both in Chicago and Toledo and who died in Toledo, February 24, 1902; and Mary Eleanor, who died in Toledo, May 24, 1880, at the age of nineteen. The living children in order of age are: Mrs. Fred Hake of Toledo; Mrs. George Rodenhauser of Toledo; Miss Louisa, who deserves much credit for the successful management of the business established by her father and is actively associated with her two brothers in its conduct; Mrs. Otto Peth of Toledo; Mrs. Albert Bersticker of Toledo; Herman W., the oldest of the sons, also living in Toledo; and Henry J. and William H., who are carrying on the professional part of the business which their father established. These children were all born and reared in the old residence at Broadway and Jervis street and were educated in the Toledo public schools. Henry J., the second youngest of the children, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and Miss Louisa Birkenkamp is a member of Triune Chapter, Eastern Star, and the White Shrine and Oriental Shrine.

Mr. Birkenkamp passed to his reward on January 7, 1914, and that he was

one of the well known and highly respected residents of Toledo was indicated in the large concourse of people who gathered to pay their last tribute of respect to him at the funeral services and formed a part of the long cortege that followed his remains to the last resting place in Forest cemetery. On hundreds and hundreds of occasions he had officiated for others and now his turn came and there was an almost countless throng who remembered his kindliness, his tact and his courtesy in their hour of bereavement. He had always maintained the highest standards in his business. At the time of his death the equipment of the firm included thirty-six white Arabian horses, sixteen carriages, three funeral cars, two service cars, invalid coach, automobile equipment and in fact everything that measured up to the highest standards of service of this kind, unexcelled by any other firm in Toledo. The concern is still located at the corner of Broadway and Jervis street and operated under the father's name—H. H. Birkenkamp. In the year 1915 they sold all the stock of horses and carriages and bought five auto hearses in grey and white, three service wagons, two limousines and the largest funeral parlor car in the city, having seating capacity for twenty-four people, carrying all the flowers and having a separate compartment for the remains, on a three and a half ton Packard chassis. A large showroom is maintained by the firm, which also has two chapels, one containing two hundred and five seats and the other fifty seats, together with a mausoleum.

In his political views Mr. Birkenkamp maintained an independent position, voting for men and measures rather than party and seeking at all times to advance the welfare and progress of the city in which he so long made his home. He was a member of the Knights of the Golden Rule, the Ancient Order of United Workmen and the Red Cross Funeral Directors Association and both he and his wife became charter members of St. John's German Lutheran church. Mr. Birkenkamp was likewise identified with St. John's Lutheran Benevolent Society and other organizations. He was ever most loyal to the teachings of the church and the principles of the Christian religion and his life at all times measured up to the highest standards of manhood and citizenship. He was a home-loving man, finding his chief delight in the companionship of his family. He never had occasion to regret his determination to come to the new world, for here he found the opportunities which he sought in a business way, while he gained those warm friendships which make for pleasure and contentment at all times. He was one of the best known citizens of Toledo and many might well follow his example if their desire is to develop character worthy of emulation and respect.

JOHN MARTIN SAWHILL

Through a period of seventeen years John Martin Sawhill has been a resident of Toledo, having in 1906 become identified with the Toledo Metal Manufacturers Company, of which he is now the secretary and treasurer. The attractiveness of Ohio as a place of residence, because of its business opportunities and natural advantages, is indicated in the fact that so large a percentage of her native sons have remained within her borders. Among this number is Mr. Sawhill, who was born in Mansfield, on the 16th of March, 1883, and is a son of John Lorimer and Sarah Jane (Martin) Sawhill. The father still makes his home at Mansfield, where he has long been engaged in the business of stove manufacturing.

At the usual age John M. Sawhill entered the public schools of his native city, thereby qualifying for life's practical and responsible duties. When he had completed his school course he entered the office of a steel manufacturing company in Mansfield, where he remained until 1906, when at the age of twenty-three years he came to Toledo and here accepted the position of office manager with the Toledo Metal Manufacturers Company. He proved his capability in this connection, mastering every phase of the business and acquainting himself with every feature of the trade in principle and detail. His capability and business capacity led to his election to official position in 1913, when he became secretary and treasurer, and in this connection he continues. The company today employs thirty men and the business has enjoyed a steady and substantial growth.

On the 29th of June, 1903, when he was twenty years of age, Mr. Sawhill was married to Miss Katherine Moser of Mansfield and they are parents of one son, Robert Moser, born July 26, 1904. Mr. Sawhill is an exemplary representative of the Masonic fraternity and he belongs also to the Exchange Club and to the Chamber of Commerce, the latter connection indicating his interest in all that has to do with the public welfare, and at all times he is numbered among the public-spirited citizens of his native state.

JOHN CYRUS RATHBUN

John Cyrus Rathbun, a native son of Toledo who typifies in his life the spirit of progress and enterprise which has been the dominant factor in the upbuilding and development of the city, is well known in business circles as the president of the Rathbun Cartage Company, which from a small beginning has been transformed into an undertaking of substantial proportions. He was born November 10, 1874, of the marriage of Edward S. and Dolly (Davis) Rathbun, the former of whom was born on a farm near Ann Arbor, Michigan. In early life he came to Toledo, where he followed the cabinetmaker's trade, and he also became prominent in musical circles of the city. He was a talented violinist and for many years conducted an orchestra, while he was also the leader of the Rathbun Band. He passed away in this city. The mother is still residing in Toledo. In their family were two children: John C.; and Walter C., a member of the Rathbun Cartage Company.

John Cyrus Rathbun acquired his education in the public schools of his native city and his initial experience along commercial lines was obtained with the Toledo Merchants Delivery Company, of which Harry Johanning was the organizer. He remained with that firm for twenty-three years, acquiring a comprehensive knowledge of the business, and on the 1st of May, 1913, in association with his brother Walter, he formed the Rathbun Cartage Company. From its inception the undertaking proved a success, and starting with three horse-drawn wagons, they gradually added to their equipment until they now have twenty vehicles of that type, in addition to four automobile trucks and two passenger cars. They utilize three floors of a building at No. 197 South St. Clair street, affording them eighteen hundred square feet of floor space, and they also have a warehouse for the storage of goods, being able to accomodate merchandise varying in weight from one pound to twenty tons. The business was incorporated in 1920 and is a close corporation, of which John C. Rathbun is the president. He conducts the enterprise along

the most modern and progressive lines, gives his close personal attention to all the details of its operation and has been farsighted in the direction of the policy of the concern.

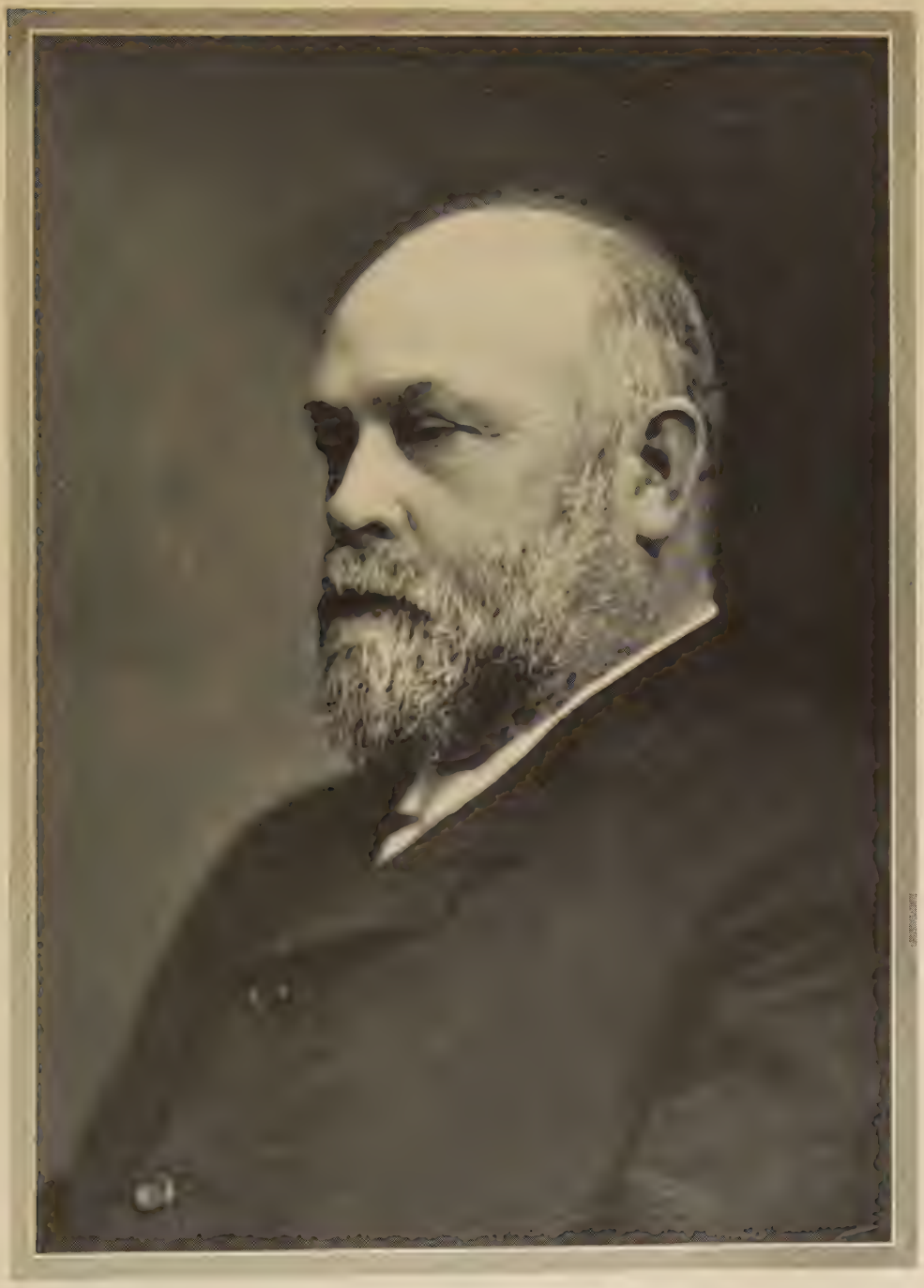
On the 25th of February, 1904, Mr. Rathbun was united in marriage to Miss Kate M. Carpenter of Toledo, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Carpenter, well known residents of Osseo, Michigan. Mr. Rathbun is a member of the Washington Street Congregational church and his civic spirit finds expression in his connection with the Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Lions Club and in Masonry has passed through the lodge, chapter, council, commandery and consistory, being also a member of the Shrine. Industry has been the key which has unlocked for Mr. Rathbun the portals of success. Thoroughness and diligence have characterized all of his work and he measures up to the highest standards of personal honor and present-day business ethics, while in matters of citizenship he is loyal, progressive and public-spirited. Mr. Rathbun resides at No. 851 Lincoln avenue.

WILLIAM CROSSMAN CHAPMAN, M. D.

There are many who accord to the medical profession first place as to usefulness among the activities to which man may direct his efforts, and while in this field Dr. William Crossman Chapman made a notable record of service to mankind, he was also helpfully interested in many projects and measures which looked to the development and upbuilding of the community in many ways and to the uplift of the individual. He never lightly regarded life's responsibilities and its opportunities but rejoiced in the chance which it gave him for service and the opportunity offered to assist to the extent of his ability in the city's progress. Dr. Chapman was born August 15, 1840, in Cincinnati, Ohio, and passed away in Toledo on the 29th of May, 1910, his parents being William and Margaret (Crossman) Chapman, the former a druggist and pharmacist of Cincinnati.

William C. Chapman was educated in the public schools of his native city until graduated from the Woodward high school, after which, in preparation for a professional career, he attended the Miami Medical College of that city and in due course of time received his degree of M. D. He then located for practice in Fort Wayne, Indiana, but came to Toledo in 1873 and continued actively to follow his profession as a general practitioner throughout his remaining days. He served as a lieutenant in the Civil war, loyally defending the interests of the Union, and he was in public office only as a member of the Ohio state board of health for a number of years, acting for two terms as president of that board. His activities were almost wholly confined to his work along professional lines and in a civic way he was interested in the city board of health, with the possibilities for safeguarding the welfare and sanitary conditions of Toledo through that avenue. He was also active in all of the medical societies, including the local organizations, the Northwestern Ohio, the Ohio State and the American Medical Associations.

Then, too, Dr. Chapman gave expression to his keen and broad sympathy by his earnest work in various charitable organizations, including the Federated Charities of Toledo, and he served as a member of the board of the old Adams Street Mission, of which he was president for a number of years. Masonry found in him a loyal and exemplary advocate and the Presbyterian church knew him as a most



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earnest member and effective worker. He held the position of deacon or trustee in the church during the greater part of his life and no good work done in the name of charity or religion sought his aid in vain. He was much interested in promoting the welfare of the Young Men's Christian Association and the Young Women's Christian Association and he also manifested earnest support and abiding interest in those organizations which made for cultural advancement or which added to the joys of life through companionship. To this end he belonged to many clubs and social organizations and he was also identified with the Toledo Art Museum, the Symphony Orchestras and similar enterprises.

On the 3d of September, 1863, at Cincinnati, Dr. Chapman was united in marriage to Miss Harriett Mitchell, a daughter of Jethro Mitchell, and to them five sons were born: Harry M., who wedded Clara Bosche of Cincinnati; Frank H., who married Isabella Irvine; George L., who wedded Mary Cochran; William B., whose wife was in her maidenhood Miss Florence Brew; and Howard V., who married Ione Minuse. It is a matter worthy of record that at the time of the father's death, after a marriage of forty-seven years, his five sons and seven grandchildren were all living—residents of Toledo, his own demise being the first break in the family circle. His strong endorsement of every progressive element, his stanch support of effective organization which make for higher ideals of life and his most valuable service along professional lines, made him indeed a citizen of worth to Toledo and one whose passing was the occasion of deep and widespread regret.

HAROLD C. KUNEY

It has been said that this is the age of young men. It is certainly a notable fact that at the head of many progressive business enterprises are many young men whose alertness, zeal and enthusiasm are strong assets in the successful conduct of a business. Since 1912 Harold C. Kuney has been identified with the American National Company of Toledo and in 1920 was elected to official position, being made treasurer. Through a period of more than a decade, therefore, he has been identified with the successful conduct of this enterprise and Toledo recognizes in him one of her valued native sons. He was born November 22, 1892, his parents being Charles Spencer and Norah (Hyde) Kuney, the former an electrical engineer still active in business here.

Harold C. Kuney was educated in the public schools and when his school days were over he became identified with telephone companies, which he represented in connection with the electrical department in various cities. His early training was along electrical lines and from boyhood he was more or less familiar with electrical business through association with his father. His training, too, has been thorough and his knowledge of the business has steadily increased as his experience and activities have broadened. After working in various cities he came to Toledo as cost accountant with the American National Company and in 1920 was elected to his present office, so that he now has voice in the management of the business, with which he also acts as credit manager.

On the 20th of June, 1910, Mr. Kuney was married to Miss Ethel McFarlin of Clyde, Ohio, and they have become parents of two daughters, Clara and Elinor. Mr. Kuney is influenced in all of his relations with his fellowmen and with the general public by the teachings of the Masonic fraternity and of the

Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of both of which he is a loyal and consistent representative. In matters of general concern he manifests a public-spirited citizenship and is one of the progressive business men and valued residents of Toledo.

EDSON W. BAUMGARDNER

Edson W. Baumgardner, deceased, was for many years one of the most substantial and representative business men of Toledo, where he was executive head of Baumgardner & Company, a business of extensive proportions. He was born in Wooster, Ohio, in 1851, a son of Peter and Mary (Smith) Baumgardner.

Edson W. Baumgardner received his education in the public schools of his native city and at the age of fourteen years came to Toledo and entered into partnership with a kinsman, L. S. Baumgardner, who had established the enterprise known as L. S. Baumgardner & Company, in 1866. Edson W. Baumgardner was the dominant factor in the remarkable growth of that business, which was begun on a small scale but during the intervening years has increased until today it is numbered among the chief mercantile enterprises of northwestern Ohio. L. S. Baumgardner relinquished his interest from time to time, and Edson W. became executive head of the business and so continued until his death on the 5th of April, 1920, his activities with the Baumgardner interests covering a period of fifty-five years. Mr. Baumgardner enjoyed the confidence and esteem of all with whom he came into contact. He employed the best principles of honesty and integrity in the conduct of his business affairs and was a self-made man in the truest sense of the word. He was associated in an advisory capacity with many of the city's leading business and financial institutions, but would never accept a nominal title on their directorates.

In 1872 was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Baumgardner and Miss Frances Mary Langan and to their union three sons were born: Frank L., Ned and Carleton M. One of Mr. Baumgardner's chief joys in the later years of his life was to have his sons associated with him in business and to see the able manner in which they were conducting their several departments. Mrs. Baumgardner survives her husband and is living in Toledo, where she has a large circle of friends.

For many years Mr. Baumgardner was a member of the local Chamber of Commerce and socially he was identified with the Toledo and Country clubs. He was essentially public-spirited and no movement for the development and improvement of the community at large sought his aid in vain. He measured up to the highest standards of citizenship and his death has caused a vacancy that will be hard to fill.

LEO E. MUNCH

Leo E. Munch, engaged in the wholesale confectionery business in Toledo, has been identified therewith from his boyhood days. It is true that he entered upon a business already established and placed upon a substantial basis by his father but in enlarging and controlling this many a man of less resolute spirit would have failed. He has shown ready adaptability and enterprise in all that he has undertaken

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and has been active in developing the business to extensive proportions. Toledo has reason to be proud of her native sons who have contributed to her upbuilding and material growth and among this number is Leo E. Munch, who was here born on the 23d of October, 1884, his parents being Joseph and Mary (Kopf) Munch. The father came to this city in 1871 and for a number of years was in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. He was born in Sennheim, Alsace-Lorraine, and attracted by the opportunities of the new world he crossed the Atlantic and took up his abode in Toledo. Here after some years connection with railroad interests he entered the dry goods business, conducting a store at Front and Main streets in East Toledo. In 1893 he built a hotel at No. 201 and 203 Main street, the structure being a three-story brick building, fifty by one hundred and twenty feet, containing sixty rooms. Thus through many years he was active in connection with the business development of Toledo but is now living retired, enjoying in well earned rest the fruits of his former toil. He has reached the seventy-second milestone on life's journey.

Leo E. Munch was educated in the parochial schools of East Toledo and in a business college and in his boyhood became associated with his father in mercantile interests. Upon the retirement of his father from business he took charge of affairs and is associated with his brother, Harry J., in the ownership and management of a wholesale confectionery business, in connection with which they also sell soft drinks. They have ever recognized the fact that satisfied patrons are the best advertisement and their earnest desire to please their customers has led to a steady growth in their trade. Mr. Munch is also one of the directors of the Ohio Savings Association.

On the 12th of June, 1906, Leo E. Munch was united in marriage to Miss Clara Mayer of this city. He is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, also of the East Side Luncheon Club and of the Chamber of Commerce.

Harry J. Munch, partner in the business, was born in Toledo, June 21, 1883. He, too, obtained his education in the parochial schools, while his business training was received in his father's store, so that he early became familiar with the value of industry and perseverance, while his experience has developed his sound judgment and his enterprise. He and his brother, Leo E., now conduct a wholesale confectionery business as previously stated and the labors of the one ably round out and supplement the efforts of the other, making this a strong firm.

Harry J. Munch was married February 6, 1922, to Miss Helen Johnson of St. Louis, Missouri. Like his brother he is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and he also belongs to the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Loyal Order of Moose. Both are representative merchants of Toledo, their thoroughness, close application and energy enabling them to overcome all obstacles and work their way steadily upward to success.

FORREST JEFFRIES

Forrest Jeffries has been a member of the Toledo bar since 1911, specializing in the field of corporation law, and his contemporaries unite in bearing testimony as to his high character and ability. He was born in Hicksville, Ohio, May 21, 1885, and his parents were F. W. and Bertha (Will) Jeffries, who were also natives of the Buckeye state.

Forrest Jeffries attended high school at Denver, Colorado, after which he entered the University of Denver, from which he received the A. B. degree in 1906 and the M. A. degree in the following year, and in 1909 he was graduated from the law department of that institution. For two years he successfully followed his profession in that city and in 1911 he came to Toledo, where he has since made his home, engaging in the practice of law, devoting his attention principally to corporation law, and since 1913 he has been in the law offices of and associated with Mr. Rathbun Fuller.

In Chicago, Illinois, on the 3d of November, 1911, Mr. Jeffries was married to Miss Mary Gunther, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Gunther, and they have become the parents of a son, Robert F., who was born in Toledo in 1917. To his chosen life work he gives his undivided attention, and wisely and conscientiously utilizing the talents with which nature has endowed him, he has won a position of prominence in his profession.

EUGENE DONATI SCHEBLE, D. D. S.

Dr. Eugene Donati Scheble, deceased, held high rank among the dentists of Toledo for many years and exemplified in his life the most advanced principles and methods of the profession which he represented. A native son of Ohio, he was born in Richmondale, in 1853, his parents being Joseph and Melinda (Foreman) Scheble, the father a captain in the Civil war, while the grandfather of Mrs. Scheble was a general of the Revolutionary war. Joseph Scheble removed from Richmondale to Ashley, Ohio, and there followed merchandising.

It was in the latter place that Eugene Donati Scheble obtained his grammar school education and pursued his high school course. Having determined upon the practice of dentistry as a life work, he subsequently became a student in the Philadelphia Dental College and there won his degree in 1874, when twenty-one years of age. On returning to Ashley he entered at once upon active practice but in the following year sought a broader field of labor by removing to Toledo in 1875. Here he opened an office on St. Clair street, between Jefferson and Monroe streets, and subsequently removed his offices to the Trinity block, opposite Trinity church, where he remained until 1882. He then purchased the property at No. 331 Superior street and moved there, having his office in his home. In 1893 he formed a partnership with Dr. Otto Marx and the association was maintained until 1910, when both Dr. Marx and Dr. Scheble retired from active practice. His professional career was marked by a steady progress that indicated him to be a close student of the science of dentistry and everything pertaining thereto. He kept in touch with the trend of modern professional thought, research and investigation and employed the most advanced methods known to dental surgery. In many ways he did pioneer work in his profession and methods which he adopted and followed later became recognized principles of dentistry. It is said that he never had an equal in the making of porcelain plates in Toledo and he was the first dentist in the city to put in inlays. Often, in company with Dr. Marx, he would go to Ann Arbor and study some new phase of dentistry, which he would then immediately put into practice. He was a dentist wholly to be relied upon for his honesty and the quality of his work and his entire career was a credit and honor to the profession which he represented.

On the 25th of December, 1879, Dr. Scheble was married to Miss Janet L. Vogel, a daughter of George and Lucy Ann (Rohr) Vogel, who were pioneer residents of Toledo. Following his retirement from active practice Dr. and Mrs. Scheble spent several years in travel, taking three trips to Europe, one to South America and another to Honolulu, besides visiting many of the most interesting points of the United States. On the 10th of February, 1922, they sailed from New York on the Empress of France to take the Mediterranean trip. They had been out about a week when the Doctor was taken ill and, leaving their boat, they made their way to Liverpool and returned to the United States as rapidly as possible. Arriving in New York, Dr. Scheble was removed to St. Luke's Hospital, where he passed away on the 14th of March, being at that time sixty-nine years of age. He had for many years been a most prominent and influential resident of Toledo. Aside from being one of the oldest and ablest representatives of the dental profession here, he was prominent in public affairs and was elected to the city council by an overwhelming majority, having been called "the moral candidate." He was a charter member of the Toledo Club and also of the Country Club and he likewise had membership in the Inverness Club and in the Masonic fraternity, at all times exemplifying in his life the beneficent spirit and purposes of the craft. Dr. Scheble was ever a man of most generous spirit and according to the terms of his will he made bequests of twenty thousand dollars to charity, including ten thousand dollars to the Toledo District Nurses Association, five thousand dollars to the Old Ladies Home and an equal amount to the Federation of Charities. The gift to the District Nurses Association is to be known as the Janet L. Scheble fund. He also left many other bequests to friends and relatives. During their travels abroad in 1903, Dr. and Mrs. Scheble found a sacred Egyptian cat mummy near Beni Hassan, a village in middle Egypt, on the Nile. It was one of the cats sacred to Pakht, a cat-headed goddess who with Isis was regarded as a goddess of misfortune by the believers in the Egyptian mythology. This was donated to the Toledo Museum of Art. On this trip Dr. and Mrs. Scheble were passengers on the second boat to go through the Panama canal and in 1913 both took an aeroplane trip at Tampa, Florida. They were always intensely interested in progress of any kind and Dr. Scheble was the friend and patron of many projects looking to advancement and improvement. He held an enviable position in the regard of his many friends as well as in the dental fraternity and all who knew him courted his friendship as a valuable asset in their lives.

CLAIRE H. SPECK

Claire H. Speck, secretary and treasurer of the Morris Plan Bank of Toledo and a veteran of the World war, was born in Pemberville, Ohio, December 7, 1893, his parents being George H. and Cora A. (Smith) Speck. The father was well known in newspaper circles, being editor and owner of the Pemberville Leader.

Claire H. Speck spent his youthful days largely in the acquirement of a public school education in his native city, passing through consecutive grades to the high school, while later he attended business college at Toledo and also the Oberlin (Ohio) Business College. When his commercial training was completed he obtained a position as bookkeeper in the Citizens Savings Bank at Pem-

berville and by reason of his capability and fidelity won promotion to the position of assistant cashier with the Citizens Banking Company of Perrysburg, Ohio, where he remained for three and a half years. All this while he was gaining more intimate and thorough knowledge of the banking business and his powers were thereby constantly increasing. In August, 1917, he came to the Morris Plan Bank of Toledo in the position of assistant treasurer and in January, 1918, was advanced to the treasurership, while in January, 1920, he was elected both secretary and treasurer.

In the meantime Mr. Speck had entered service in connection with the World war, enlisting on the 4th of March, 1918, as a private in the Medical Corps. He was raised to the rank of first sergeant ere the war ceased. He was discharged on the 22d of May, 1919, and with his return home resumed active relations with the Morris Plan Bank, of which he is now one of the officials. He is also a director of the Maumee Valley Mortgage Company and is well known in financial circles.

On the 25th of November, 1920, Mr. Speck established a home of his own through his marriage to Miss Lucile D. Shumaker of Lima, Ohio, and they have become the parents of a daughter, Marilyn Ann, born December 10, 1921, at Toledo, Ohio. Mr. Speck has membership with the Masonic fraternity, being identified with Freedom Lodge, F. & A. M., of Pemberville, Ohio, and Crystal chapter of Bowling Green, Ohio. He is also a member of the American Legion, being in hearty sympathy with the purposes of that organization to uphold American principles with the same fidelity and strength which was manifest when four million men responded to the call to the colors during the World war.

M. O. BAKER

M. O. Baker was born at Margaretsville, Annapolis county, in the Province of Nova Scotia, Canada, August 12, 1865. His parents, James Edward and Evaline (Parker) Baker, were natives of that province, their forefathers having settled in Nova Scotia generations back. Mr. Baker has four brothers, three of whom reside in Nova Scotia, and one, Bernard A. Baker, president of The M. O. Baker Company, resides in Toledo, Ohio.

M. O. Baker acquired his education in the Provincial public schools of Nova Scotia, which are famous for their thoroughness in the fundamentals of learning. At the age of seventeen he left the old homestead for Massachusetts. His first employment was on a dairy farm in Littleton, Massachusetts, and later he obtained employment in a retail market at West Acton, Massachusetts. Realizing that a commercial educational training was needed, he completed a course at The Bryant & Stratton Commercial College of Boston, Massachusetts. After graduating from this institution he secured a position as bookkeeper in New York city with Swift & Company, Chicago packers. In less than two years he was managing one of the company's branch houses, located at Atlanta, Georgia, later becoming superintendent of southern territory with headquarters at Atlanta, Georgia.

While connected with Swift & Company, Mr. Baker had the opportunity of visiting most of the important business centers of this country. In 1897 he came to Toledo in the interests of Swift & Company and was so impressed with the commercial possibilities and ideal living conditions that he severed his connections with

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Swift & Company and entered the wholesale fruit and produce business under the firm name of M. O. Baker & Company. His firm immediately became one of the leaders in that line of business. In 1916 he reorganized the firm into a stock company, The M. O. Baker Company. He remained active head of this concern until October, 1920, when he disposed of his holdings in order to give his entire time and energies to his large real estate holdings. The firm name of the M. O. Baker Company remains unchanged. He is vice president of The Fifty Associates Company, this company being one of the largest owners of business property in Toledo; president of The Commodore Perry Company, large holders of centrally located real estate; and has been director of The Home Savings Bank Company for many years.

He married, in 1894, Miss Frances M. Houghton of West Acton, Massachusetts. They have three children. The eldest, a daughter, Evelyn, married Hampton G. Wall, a prominent attorney here; one son, John M., twenty years of age, is taking a commercial course at Ann Arbor, Michigan; the other son, Robert H., fourteen years of age, is attending Scott high school.

Mr. Baker is a thirty-second degree Mason; a Rotarian; a member of The Toledo Chamber of Commerce, serving on many of its important committees; a member of Inverness Club, which is nationally and favorably known in golfing circles; and a member of Collingwood avenue Presbyterian church. In politics he is a republican of the independent type. He believes that in Toledo there are great opportunities for business growth and expansion and knows that it is an ideal place for the average man to own a home and rear and educate a family. Mr. Baker resides at No. 2251 Glenwood avenue.

JACOB NICHOLAS BICK

Jacob Nicholas Bick, a prominent citizen of Toledo whose influence is a potent factor for good in his community, is numbered among the leading contractors of the city and his well directed efforts have contributed to public improvement as well as to individual success. He was born in Lucas county, Ohio, September 9, 1859, and his parents were Jacob and Marie (Bettinger) Bick, the former a native of Germany and the latter of Ohio. During his childhood the father was brought to the United States and in Lucas county, Ohio, he was reared and educated. He devoted his life to agricultural pursuits and developed a large farm, becoming the owner of one of the most valuable properties in this section of the state. During the Civil war he proved his loyalty to his adopted country by offering his services to the federal government but was rejected, owing to the fact that he was suffering from an attack of inflammatory rheumatism. He passed away on his farm in Lucas county in 1892, when sixty-one years of age, and the mother died in Toledo in 1919, at the age of eighty-five years. About fifteen years previous to her demise she met with a severe accident which necessitated the use of an invalid's chair during the remainder of her life, but she bore her lot patiently and without complaint, radiating cheerfulness and sympathy to all who came within the circle of her influence. Mr. and Mrs. Bick were the parents of seven children, six of whom are living: John, who is living in Kansas; and A. W., Mrs. Mary Hogan, Elizabeth, Barbara and Jacob N., all of whom are residents of Toledo.

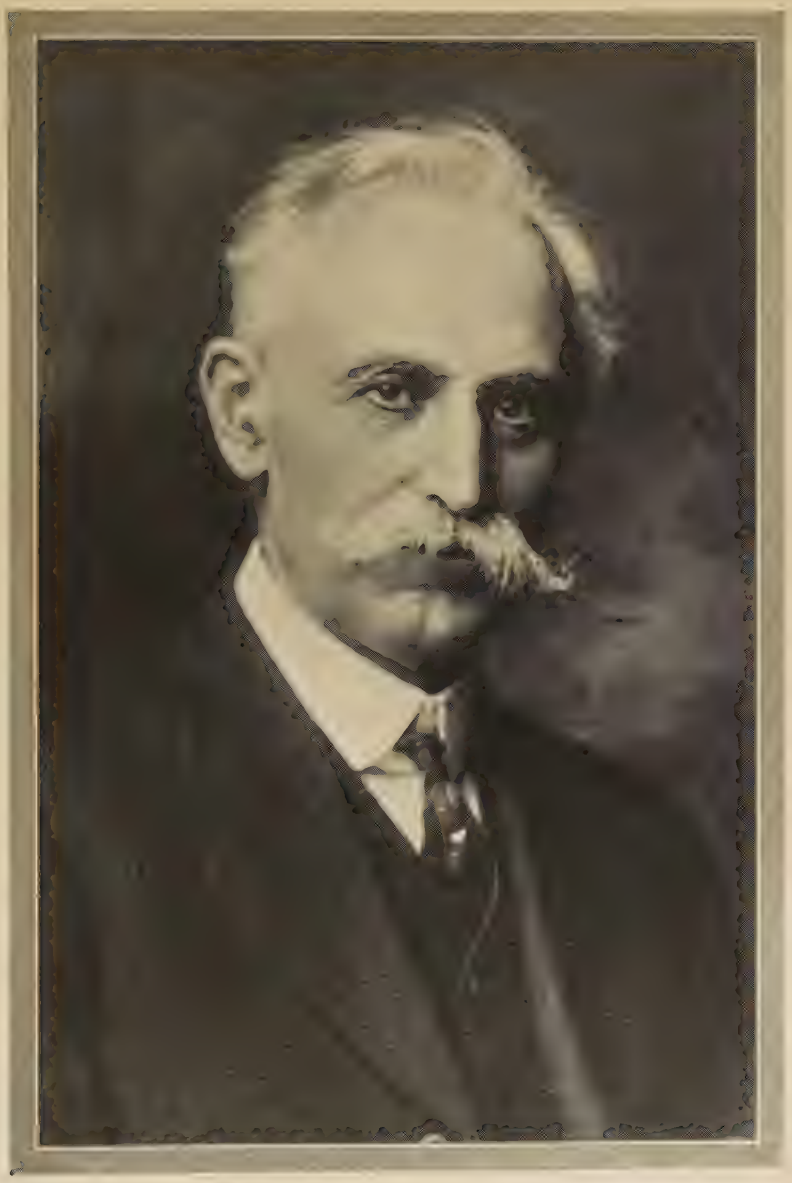
Jacob Nicholas Bick acquired his education in the district schools of Lucas county, the public schools of Toledo and a commercial college of this city, after which he embarked in business on his own account, opening a retail shoe store. This he conducted successfully for three years and then sold, to engage in railroad contracting, in which he has continued, building up a business of large proportions. He has completed many important projects, building the Terminal Railroad in this city, and the Toledo Electric line, and has constructed both suburban and city roads. He also engages in general contracting and there is no phase of the business in either its technical or practical phases with which he is not familiar. He is prompt, reliable and trustworthy in the execution of contracts and his work represents the highest standard of efficiency.

On the 10th of May, 1886, Mr. Bick was united in marriage to Miss Margaret Langendefer of Toledo, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Langendefer, well known residents of Lucas county, and they became the parents of a son, Arthur, who died in infancy. Mr. Bick is an independent democrat in his political views and he has taken a most progressive stand on many public questions. Although many public offices have been tendered him he has declined most of them. He has never been remiss in the duties of citizenship, however, and has left the impress of his individuality upon public thought and action. He is well known throughout the city as the champion of progress and of moral and civic advancement and he is deeply interested in the work of reform and improvement. Mr. Bick is a charter member of the Toledo Club and of the National Union and for many years has been connected with the Commerce Club. For more than ten years he has been president of the Ohio Neighborhood Club, in which he has taken a keen interest. His residence is at No. 1050 Lincoln avenue. The house was built in 1914 and has since been his home.

CHARLES HERMON LEMMON

Almost a half century ago Charles Hermon Lemmon, now deceased, entered upon the practice of law in Toledo and continued in the active work of the profession for a number of years. Later he turned his attention to the abstract business and examination of titles, continuing in that field of labor until 1911, when he retired to enjoy a well earned rest. His was an active career and his fidelity to manly principles gained for him the respect and goodwill of all with whom he came into contact. He was born on a farm near Delta, Fulton county, Ohio, March 9, 1852, his parents being Judge Reuben Compton and Amelia (Armstrong) Lemmon. The father was a member of the bar and engaged in the practice of law at Maumee, then the county seat of Lucas county, but when in March, 1853, Toledo was made the county seat, the Lemmon family removed to this city.

Charles H. Lemmon acquired his education in the public schools of Toledo and when his general education was finished he entered upon the study of law in the office and under the direction of his father, being admitted to the bar in Lucas county in 1874. He immediately entered upon the practice of his chosen profession and made steady advancement therein. He served as assistant prosecuting attorney from 1877 until 1879 and performed the duties of the office with credit to himself and to the full satisfaction of the public. He later turned his attention to the abstract business and examination of titles to real property and continued active in



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that field until 1911, when he retired from business, at which time he was secretary of what is now the Toledo Title Company.

In 1876 Mr. Lemmon was united in marriage to Miss Kitty Zahm of Seneca county, Kansas, who died five years later, leaving one son, Reuben Compton Lemmon, who has since passed away. In 1885 Charles H. Lemmon was again married, his second union being with Harriet A. Weck of Toledo. They traveled life's journey happily together for more than a third of a century and were then separated by the death of Mr. Lemmon on the 14th of February, 1919. He is survived by his wife and a son of the second marriage, Charles Hermon Lemmon, Jr., who at the time of his father's demise was serving with the American Expeditionary Forces in France. He is now a practicing attorney in the office of the well known law firm of Doyle & Lewis. He married Dorothy Richards of Toledo and they are well known in the social circles of this city. He is of the third generation of the family to be connected with the Toledo bar. His grandfather was judge of the common pleas court for twenty years and each representative of the name in successive generations has made for himself a most creditable position as an attorney. In his law practice Charles H. Lemmon was painstaking and careful. He avoided court action except as a last resort and he held high ideals concerning the obligations and the functions of a lawyer, never stooping to any unfair or unjust methods, even though his clients might benefit thereby. He thoroughly believed in a square deal in business transactions and vigorously condemned any action that would not bear the light of day or stand the most critical investigation. His word could always be relied upon and his life record testified to the uprightness of his heart and mind. Those who knew him intimately appreciated his good qualities and bear witness to his high character and sterling worth. Politically he was a democrat but not a bitter partisan. Fraternally he was a thirty-second degree Mason and also a member of Palestine Chapter of the Eastern Star. His life was actuated by high Christian principles and purposes, although he did not become identified with any church. He belonged to the Toledo Bar Association and his professional brethren entertained for him warm regard, while in every relation of life he measured up to those high standards which made him esteemed both as a man and as a citizen.

JOSEPH L. ACKER

Joseph L. Acker, conducting a large undertaking business as senior partner in the firm of Joseph L. Acker & Son at Toledo, was born in Perrysburg, Ohio, August 15, 1868, his parents being Anthony and Elizabeth (Weaver) Acker. The father, who devoted his life to carpentering, passed away August 15, 1874.

Joseph L. Acker obtained his education in St. Peter's parochial school of Toledo and started out in the business world as an employe in a cigar store. He afterward spent two years on a farm and then abandoned agricultural pursuits to enter the employ of the Gendron Wheel Company in this city, with which he remained for twenty-two years, thoroughly acquainting himself with various phases of the business and winning promotion until he became inspector and foreman of one of the departments. In 1901 he took up the business of undertaking as a member of the firm of Senn & Acker and this association was maintained for twelve years, or until 1913, when Mr. Acker purchased the interest of his partner and was joined by his son and namesake, Joseph L. Acker, Jr., under the firm style of Joseph

L. Acker & Son. The father was also at one time president of the Corn City Savings Association.

On the 18th of April, 1896, Mr. Acker was joined in wedlock to Miss Mary Pfefferle of Toledo and they have become parents of three children, Joseph L., Mary and Paul, the sons being educated in St. John's College of Toledo, while Mary was educated in the Ursuline Convent of Toledo and the Ursuline Convent at Tiffin, Ohio. She also attended the Notre Dame Academy at Toledo. The religious faith of the family is manifest in their membership in St. Mary's Catholic church. Mr. Acker belongs to the National Union, is president of the State Undertakers Association and also belongs to the Toledo Automobile Club, to the Knights of Columbus, and to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is well known in this city, where he has made his home throughout the greater part of his life, and he is recognized as one of the foremost undertakers in northwestern Ohio.

MRS. FRANK IRVIN GREEN

Mrs. Frank Irvin Green, widely known in the musical circles of Toledo as a vocalist and teacher of voice, was in her maidenhood Miss Adah Leaver. She was born in Pultneyville, New York, a daughter of William J. and Mary E. (Fish) Leaver. Her mother was a daughter of Major Chauncey Fish of Wayne county, New York, prominent in the Civil war, whose ancestors were of Massachusetts stock, soldiers in the War of 1812 and the Revolutionary war. Her father was for half a century a captain on the Great Lakes and when his daughter Adah was seven years of age removed with his family to Toledo.

In this city, therefore, she acquired her education, and although very desirous of receiving musical instruction, it was necessary for her to enter the business world for a time in order to make it possible to pursue the study of music. Later, however, she had the best instructors in voice and piano in Toledo and also studied much by herself, using to the fullest extent the instructions of her teachers. Her first public appearance was at a benefit concert given at Memorial Hall in 1899. Later she went to Chicago, where she became a pupil of Robert Boice Carson, and on her return to Toledo in 1907 she gave a recital with Edgar Nelson of Chicago, pianist, noted organist and coach. She immediately began teaching voice through private lessons and class work and numbers among her pupils many promising young singers.

Through the intervening years Mrs. Green has given many recitals in Toledo and vicinity. She appeared at the first Sunday afternoon concert given at the Art Museum in 1914 and many times since, also for the Children's Hour on Saturdays. She took the part of Maggie Nelson in "The Spring Bonnet" operetta in 1916 and sang the soprano solos in the Messiah, given by the Toledo Oratorio Society in 1918. She has worked with almost every musical organization in Toledo and has sung for the Young Women's Christian Association, the Young Men's Christian Association, lodges, churches, clubs and, in fact, for almost every notable public gathering in the city. About 1920 Mrs. Green studied with Joseph Sainton, an eminent English instructor of voice. She is a member of the Washington Congregational church and is soprano soloist with the quartet of this church. She became a member of the Eurydice Club in 1904 and served as its secretary in 1910 and as

treasurer from 1912 until 1918. She was one of the three founders of the Monday Musical Club, of which she became the first secretary and of which she was later elected vice president. She is a member of the Toledo Choral Society and of the new opera company being organized in Toledo among the city's best singers and is serving on one of its committees. She is also a member of the Toledo Woman's Club and the Forsyth Relief Corps. During the war she gave freely of her time to musical entertainment among the soldiers in the camps, thus doing much to enliven their leisure hours, and later for the American Legion in caring for the wounded soldiers. She has sung with success for the radio. In this connection one of the local papers, under date of November 22, 1922, wrote as follows: "Mrs. Frank I. Green, soprano, was given a reception Wednesday night by radio enthusiasts..... She was one of the featured soloists on The Blade radio program, which was broadcast by the Service Radio Equipment Company through its station, WJK. Scores of telephone calls were received requesting that Mrs. Green continue to sing after her allotted time had expired." Mrs. Green has always cherished great ambitions for Toledo musically and has been most prodigal of her own talents in assisting in the leading musical entertainments of the city, finding her reward in the joy of service and in her desire to give Toledo an impetus toward higher musical taste and development.

It was in June, 1894, that Adah Leaver became the wife of Frank I. Green, until recently engaged in the grocery business. They have one son, Raymond L. Green, who has taken both the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws degrees from the University of Michigan, with the intention of entering upon the practice of law in Toledo.

LYMAN SPITZER

Lyman Spitzer, president and general manager of the Spitzer Paper Box Company of Toledo, occupies a prominent position in the business and financial circles of this city, due not only to the fact that he is a representative of one of the leading families here but also by reason of the individual strength of his character, his resourcefulness and his adaptability. He is a son of Adelbert Lorenzo and Sarah Elizabeth (Strong) Spitzer, mentioned at length on another page of this work.

Lyman Spitzer was reared in Toledo, where he received his high school education, subsequently was a student in the Phillips Academy at Andover, Massachusetts, and afterward entered Yale, where he completed his course in 1902. He entered upon his business career in connection with the New York office of Spitzer & Company, bonds and investment securities, of which his father was the senior partner. This was the New York branch of the Toledo house of that name, and Lyman Spitzer remained in that connection for a year. He also spent a year in Maine as a traveling representative of the bond department and in 1905 returned to Toledo, where he entered the office of the Spitzer company, thus continuing for three years. He then entered the real estate end of the business and for ten years was the manager of the Spitzer and Nicholas buildings, two of the largest and finest steel construction office buildings of the city, and the first erected in Toledo. In 1915 Lyman Spitzer purchased the controlling interest in the National Paper Box Company of this city and remained active in the management of the business until he responded to the country's call for service in the World war. He joined the

army and was made a captain, remaining on duty until discharged in December, 1918. Returning to his home, he reorganized the paper box business under the name of the Spitzer Paper Box Company, of which he is the president and general manager, and which employs seventy-five people. He is also a director and treasurer of the Spitzer Building Company.

On the 19th of September, 1906, Mr. Spitzer was united in marriage to Miss Blanche Carey Brumback, eldest daughter of Hon. Orville S. and Jennie (Carey) Brumback of Toledo, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Spitzer have four children: Lydia Carey, Luette Ruth, Lyman, Jr., born in July, 1914; and John Brumback, born March 6, 1918.

Mr. Spitzer, while actively identified with various important business interests, has always found time for participation in those plans and projects which are looking to the benefit and upbuilding of the community. For two terms he was president of the Boy Scout Council and was for a time chairman of the finance committee of the American Legion. He belongs to the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club and the Carranor Hunt and Polo Club. He possesses a splendid library and much of his leisure is spent there, where he has familiarized himself with many of the master minds of various ages. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and he was a nominee for the position of state senator in 1920. For two years he served as councilman of Toledo from the seventh ward and for two years he was a member of the park board through appointment of Brand Whitlock, well known minister to Belgium at the time of the World war. Mr. Spitzer is likewise identified with the Chamber of Commerce, of which he has served as a director. During the World war he did special work, being attached to the general staff. The interests and activities of his life are well balanced, leading to that normal physical, mental and moral development which goes far toward producing ideal manhood.

Mr. Spitzer's residence is at No. 448 West Woodruff avenue.

CHARLES FAYETTE CHAPMAN

Charles Fayette Chapman, one of the most prominent lawyers of Toledo, and a member of the firm of Tracy, Chapman & Welles, was born at Millbury, Ohio, November 14, 1875, a son of Charles F. and Philinda (Tracy) Chapman. He obtained his public and high school education at Perrysburg, Ohio, and prepared for the legal profession in the law department of the University of Michigan and also studied in the offices of King & Tracy, prominent attorneys of Toledo. Mr. Chapman was admitted to the bar in 1898, and later was admitted to practice in all the United States courts. He began active practice with the firm of King, Tracy, Chapman & Welles, and on the retirement of Harry E. King from that firm in 1914, it was succeeded by that of Tracy, Chapman & Welles, which has for years ranked as one of the foremost law firms of Toledo. Mr. Chapman has been very successful in his profession and the earnestness, tenacity and courage with which he defends the right as he understands it challenges the highest admiration of his contemporaries. A profound, astute and versatile lawyer, his career at the Toledo bar has been brilliant and with a most creditable record of achievement. He enjoys an exceptionally high class clientele, which he has represented in some of the most important litigation that has come up before the courts of northern Ohio.

CHARLES F. CHAPMAN

On the 25th of October, 1902, Mr. Chapman was married to Miss Elisabeth M. Hanson of Perrysburg, Ohio. They are members of the Presbyterian church and Mr. Chapman is identified with the Toledo Club and the Chamber of Commerce, while along strictly professional lines he has membership with the Toledo, Ohio State and American Bar associations. Mr. Chapman's residence is at No. 2033 Mt. Vernon avenue, Westmoreland.

JACOB RAPPARLIE

Jacob Rapparlie, a pioneer wagon manufacturer of Toledo, has been closely identified with the growth and development of the city for more than a half century and an active factor in its progress. He was born in Cleveland, Ohio, September 7, 1851, a son of John and Katherine (Hedrick) Rapparlie, both of whom were of German birth and came to the United States in the early '30s. The father at first worked on the canal between Napoleon and Defiance, Ohio, and later he engaged in blacksmithing. Going to Cleveland, he there entered business circles but subsequently removed to Toledo, where he passed away in 1900. The mother's demise occurred in 1880.

Jacob Rapparlie attended the public schools of Cleveland, Ohio, and afterward assisted his father in cultivating the home farm near Fremont, that state. For six years he was thus occupied and in 1869 he came to Toledo, purchasing a corner lot at No. 301 South St. Clair street, where he is now located. He learned the blacksmith's trade under the direction of his father and about 1869 began the manufacture of wagons, being one of the pioneers in this line in Toledo. Owing to his skill and ability it has not been difficult for him to maintain a position of leadership in his chosen occupation and with the passing years his business has steadily grown, keeping pace with the development of the city, until it has reached substantial proportions, while his commercial transactions have at all times balanced up with the principles of truth and honor.

In Toledo Mr. Rapparlie was married to Miss Louisa Schettler and they have become the parents of five children: Louisa is the widow of Louis Siedel and is a resident of this city; Arthur C., a graduate of the high school and the Toledo Business College, is associated with his father in his manufacturing operations. He married Miss Olga Liebold, by whom he has two daughters, Irma and Bernice; Charles J., deceased, was married and became the father of one child, Charline; Edward A. attended the public schools and the Tri-State Business University of this city and is likewise associated with his father in business. He married Miss Eva A. Bally; Amelia is the wife of Edwin Dusha of this city and they have a daughter, Doris.

Mr. Rapparlie is a member of the First English Lutheran church and his political support is given to the men and measures of the republican party. He is a stalwart champion of everything pertaining to the welfare and upbuilding of Toledo and is an active and helpful member of the Chamber of Commerce. His fraternal relations are with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and his identification with the latter organization covers a period of twenty-four years. He is a self-made man, before whom the door of opportunity has swung open because of his persistence and determination and the fact that he has continued in the field which he first entered is one reason

for his gratifying success, for the passing years have brought to him the experience and skill which make him an expert in his line of work. He is widely and favorably known in the city in which he has so long resided and the respect which is accorded him is well deserved.

BARFIELD BENJAMIN GRANTHAM

Barfield Benjamin Grantham, a Toledo realtor, who has conducted an extensive business and worked his way upward along lines that have contributed to the city's benefit, growth and improvement, as well as to the upbuilding of his own fortune, is now the president of the Grantham Realty Company. This, however, is but a corporate name for a business of which he is sole owner. Mr. Grantham, early left an orphan, spent his youthful days amid the hills and pine forests of North Carolina, where he worked in the turpentine districts and also as a common laborer on a railroad. His natal day was August 27, 1875, and his birthplace in Sampson county, North Carolina. His father, Needham Grantham, was born in Wayne county, that state, and was descended from a long line of Scotch ancestors. The family was founded in the new world, however, at an early epoch in the development of North Carolina and Grantham township was named in their honor. Needham Grantham was in the seventy-second year of his age when his son, B. B. Grantham, was born. He had married Molly Porter, who was of Scotch parentage. Her mother was almost one hundred and one years of age at the time of her death. She had a family of fourteen children and Mr. and Mrs. Grantham became the parents of six children: Mrs. Silas Hood, Hiram, Mrs. Henry Thornton and Mrs. Thomas Thornton, all residents of North Carolina; and Barfield and John, now of Toledo.

Barfield Benjamin Grantham was but four years of age at the time of his parents' death and the orphaned children were scattered and grew up in separate homes. He lived with his uncle, Fred Grantham, until he reached the age of eleven years and then, owing to his uncle's death, was thrown upon his own resources. Penniless, he started out to earn a living and soon proved himself adequate to the task. When but fifteen years of age he borrowed money with which to buy tools and employ men for opening a turpentine farm in North Carolina, which he conducted for a year and then sold, while later he became a track layer for a railroad company. A year and a half later he went to Richmond, Virginia, where he was employed in a carriage factory. He also worked with a lumber company as superintendent of the cutting and hauling of timber to the mills and thus the time passed until he determined to try his fortune elsewhere. It seems a far stride from that position to a dominant one in the real estate circles of northwestern Ohio, yet not by leaps and bounds has he reached his present position of leadership as a Toledo realtor. On the contrary his progress has been wrought out by persistent labor, indefatigable energy and undaunted enterprise. He was nineteen years of age, when in the spring of 1894 he left the south and made his way toward Racine, Wisconsin. He arrived in Toledo on the 21st of May and never completed his journey to his original destination but has remained a resident of this section of the country first securing employment on the farm of Thomas Chandler, who at that time lived at Riga, in Lenawee county, Michigan, a few miles northwest of Toledo. He devoted two

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years to farm labor there and during that time won the love of the daughter of the household, Miss Nama R. Chandler, whom he later wedded.

Believing that he might have better business opportunities in the city Mr. Grantham became an employe in a large bicycle factory here in 1896 and after spending some time in the employ of two such establishments he began business on his own account as a manufacturer of certain bicycle parts but the bicycle was passing out of popular favor and after a year the business waned and soon ceased to exist. Undeterred by this failure, Mr. Grantham applied himself vigorously to any employment that he could secure. He spent a period of time as a life insurance solicitor and also as collector for a publishing company and eventually he entered the employ of the I. H. Detwiler Company, a firm conducting a real estate, rental and insurance business. Here he found that he had struck his gait, as it were. The business interested him and he acquainted himself with every phase thereof. He learned the market, recognized the most advantageous methods of conducting realty transactions and with broad experience and limited capital to serve as the foundation of later success he became one of the organizers of the firm of Hoiles & Grantham, with offices in the Gardner building. After eleven months the partnership was dissolved but Mr. Grantham continued in the same line, operating largely under his own name until the 1st of December, 1913, when he incorporated his interests under the style of The Grantham Realty Company, of which, however, he is sole stockholder. He buys and sells real estate and develops subdivision property and in the course of his career he has acquired valuable holdings in Toledo, in Maumee and in other sections of the state. In the fall of 1913 he plotted Woodrow park, located on Collingwood avenue and Manhattan boulevard and thus he became the originator in Toledo of "Homesites," a name he gave to the lots, all of which were soon sold. This was the first plotting in the city, where the lots were not all square cornered but were laid out for the convenience of the buyer and home builder. Their dimensions and shape were governed by the lay of the land and the desires of the purchasers and a most attractive residential subdivision was developed. The Grantham Realty Company also plotted seventy acres, adjoining the Inverness Club, called Inverness Place and likewise plotted sixty acres adjoining the Gladiola Farm at Sylvania, at the intersection of Monroe street and the Tremainesville road, known as Sylvan Side. Mr. Grantham also turned his attention to the development of ninety-five acres at Maumee known as the Fort Miami Addition and he has likewise placed on the market many other attractive properties, for which he has found a ready sale because of their desirability and the progressive enterprising methods which he has followed in handling the property.

On the 26th of November, 1902, Barfield B. Grantham was married to Miss Nama R. Chandler, daughter of Thomas and Rosellen (Comstock) Chandler, now residents of Sylvania, Ohio, but then occupying the old farm on which Mr. Grantham obtained his first employment in the north. To Mr. and Mrs. Grantham have been born three children, two sons and a daughter: Lloyd, Rosellen and Frederick Barfield. Mr. Grantham has membership in Fort Industry Lodge, No. 630, F. & A. M., of Toledo and Fort Meigs Chapter, No. 29, R. A. M., loyally following the teachings and purposes of the craft. He gives his political allegiance to the republican party but has never been an office seeker. He is an active member of the Toledo real estate board, of which he was vice president in 1914, while in 1915 he was one of the trustees and a member of the valuation committee. He has always been thoroughly reliable as well as progressive in the conduct of his business affairs and he bears an unsullied reputation because of his integrity and trustworthiness.

He might have deemed fate unkind in his youthful days but he has never looked upon the dark side nor allowed pessimism to take root in his nature. With a saving sense of humor he combines geniality and an agreeableness which have made for personal popularity and this has constituted one of the strong elements in his growing success.

DWIGHT J. PETERSON

Arriving in Toledo when a youth of seventeen with no capital save industry, ambition and determination, Dwight J. Peterson has worked his way steadily upward through the force of his personality and the strength of his mental endowments until he now ranks with the foremost lumbermen of the state and his success has been won by methods which neither seek nor require disguise. He was born in Defiance, Ohio, August 14, 1864, of the marriage of Julius and Amelia (Howland) Peterson, the former also a native of the Buckeye state and the latter of Binghamton, New York, and both are now deceased.

Dwight J. Peterson acquired his education in the grammar schools of Defiance, Ohio, and in 1881 he came to Toledo, securing a position with the Frederick Eaton Wholesale Dry Goods Company, but after a short time left their service to enter the employ of the J. R. McGlone Lumber Company. Starting at the bottom of the ladder, he gradually advanced through the various departments of the business, of which he acquired a comprehensive knowledge, and having accumulated sufficient capital through the exercise of economy and self-denial, he established himself in the wholesale lumber business. He was successful from the start, expanding his interests as the years passed, and in 1920 he incorporated the business under the present style of the D. J. Peterson Lumber Company, of which he is the president. He is keenly alive to every new avenue opened in the natural ramifications of trade and his initiative spirit, unerring judgment and executive powers have enabled him to build up a business of large proportions. Mr. Peterson believes in making his yards as attractive as possible and it would be difficult to find a neater or more inviting lumber plant in any section of the country. He has thoroughly systematized the business and is always prompt and reliable in filling orders, knowing that there is no better advertisement than satisfied patrons.

On the 12th of December, 1886, Mr. Peterson was married in this city to Miss Minnie Arvilla McGlone, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McGlone, the former of whom was for many years engaged in the lumber business in northern Michigan. He was the founder of the J. R. McGlone Lumber Company and conducted the business successfully until his death, which occurred in 1895. Mrs. Peterson is a woman of culture and refinement and the possessor of an unusually keen intellect. She is today one of the most prominent women in the public life of Toledo and few have done more valuable work for the city and state. While she works toward high ideals, her methods are practical and her activities are directed toward the attainment of that higher civilization for which the world is constantly striving. She is an ardent suffragist and her mother was one of the originators of this movement in Ohio. Mrs. Peterson is an outstanding figure in political, educational, economic and philanthropic activities of the state and her influence has been a most beneficial factor for good. She was the first woman chairman of the woman's division of the republican party and is now serving in that capacity,

being also a member of the executive committee. She was appointed by Governor Davis a member of the state advisory committee of the republican party and stands high in the counsels of party leaders at both the state and national capitals. She was made a member of the Lucas county republican organization and during the Harding campaign served daily at headquarters as chairman of the woman's division. She was also a member of the state speakers' board and delivered many eloquent addresses for the party, visiting all parts of Ohio. Since its inception she has been identified with the Lucas County League of Women Voters and for years she has been a leader in women's club work. She is a charter member of the Associated Shakespeare Clubs of Toledo and is also connected with the Welfare Club and the Educational Club. She was the first woman appointed on the state library board and at a recent meeting of the American Library Association, held in Detroit, Michigan, was chosen secretary of the trustee section of that organization. She was instrumental in founding the District Nurses Association and the first meeting of its board of directors was held in her home, at which time sufficient money was raised to secure the services of nurses to visit the sick and poor of the city. She is still an earnest supporter of the association and largely through her efforts a fine home has been established in Toledo. She is serving on the board of the Children's Home and is also identified with the Woman's Protective Association, the Interstate Charitable Advisory Union, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the Young Woman's Christian Association, the Daughters of the American Revolution and the King's Daughters. She is the only woman member of the Ohio State Library Board, having been appointed a few months ago by Governor Davis for an eight year term, and finds the work extremely interesting. During the World war she served as local chairman of all the auxiliary committees for the promotion of the various measures promulgated by the government and her activities have touched the general interests of society to their betterment.

Mr. and Mrs. Peterson have become the parents of a son, J. Harold, who was born in this city on the 12th of March, 1888. He attended the public schools of Toledo and afterward completed a two years' course in the University of Michigan. He was also a student at the Biltmore Forest School and finished his university training at Darmstadt, Germany, graduating in 1911, with the degree of Bachelor of Forestry. Returning to Toledo, he became connected with the D. J. Peterson Lumber Company, of which he is now serving as vice president and general manager, having about forty employes under his supervision. He is a very enterprising and progressive young business man and ably assists his father in the conduct of their interests. On the 16th of February, 1911, he married Miss Helen Sumner, a daughter of Charles E. Sumner, formerly district attorney of this city, and they have two children: Mary Arvilla, who was born May 6, 1912; and J. Harold, Jr., born June 31, 1915. Mr. Peterson enlisted for service in the World war and was commissioned a first lieutenant, being assigned to the bureau of aircraft production. He served three years as scoutmaster of Troop No. 29. He is a popular clubman, belonging to the Inverness, Toledo, Rotary and Toledo Ad clubs, and his political support is given to the republican party. Fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order, in which he has attained the Knights Templar degree, and he is also a member of the Shrine.

Mr. Peterson, Sr., is also a republican in his political views and in religious faith he is a Presbyterian. He is a Knights Templar Mason and in the consistory he has taken the thirty-second degree. He is also a member of the Toledo, Inverness Golf and Toledo Country clubs. His strong powers of organization and

his progressive spirit have found expression in the development of a large commercial industry, which is not only a source of individual profit but a credit to the city and an important factor in its upbuilding. He enjoys the esteem of many friends and fully deserves the honor that is accorded the fortunate individual who has fought and won in the great battle of life.

CARL EYRES

Carl Eyres, organizer and president of the Modern Engineering Company of Toledo, under which name he has conducted business for a period of about four years, bringing to the organization of the business large experience gained in former connections along mechanical and engineering lines, was born in Hamilton, Ohio, May 17, 1880, and is a son of George and Florence (Vaughn) Eyres, the father a shoemaker by trade. The public school system of his native city accorded Carl Eyres his educational opportunities and when his school days were over he began learning the machinist's trade. He came to Toledo in 1901 and entered the employ of the American Can Company, with which he occupied a responsible position, spending nine years as foreman of the tool room. He was afterward foreman of the tool room with the Auto Lite Company for a period of seven years and then severing that business relationship, he organized the Modern Engineering Company and was elected to the presidency in 1919. He employs fifteen high-class men who are experts along their particular line and he owns the building which he occupies—a structure thirty-five by one hundred feet, situated on Ash street at Michigan street.

On the 17th of June, 1905, Mr. Eyres was united in marriage to Miss Ida Sommers of Toledo and they have become parents of a son, Minor Carlton, who was born June 2, 1917. Mr. Eyres is a Chapter Mason, loyal to the teachings and purposes of the craft, and he is also a valued member of the Auto Lite Club. The major part of his time and attention, however, is given to his business affairs and his close application has been one of the strong elements in his success. The company does work of special nature, making tools, dies, stamping and special machinery, and the high degree of efficiency there displayed has won for the company a liberal patronage.

JAMES BROWN BELL

James Brown Bell, senior partner in the stock brokerage house of Bell & Beckwith, was one of the founders of this business in 1898, when in company with J. K. Secor, the business was organized as the firm of Secor & Bell. Very few, if any, stock brokerage houses in the state have had a more creditable record or enjoy a higher standing after twenty-five years of active business.

James Brown Bell was born May 11, 1871, in Glendale, Ohio, a suburb of Cincinnati, the son of James Brown and Sarah Ellen (Cassady) Bell. The father was a native of Dumfries, Scotland, while the mother was born in Miamisburg,

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Ohio. In the acquirement of his education James Brown Bell attended the public and high schools of Cincinnati, and Kenyon Military Academy, subsequently becoming a law student at Yale University, where he was graduated with the class of 1891.

In 1895 Mr. Bell was united in marriage to Miss Marie Suydam of Toledo, and they have two sons: James Brown Bell (III), born October 24, 1905, in Toledo, and now a student at Hotchkiss; and Frank Suydam Bell, born May 24, 1908, in Toledo. In the year of their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Bell established their home in Toledo and for a time he was identified with manufacturing interests, but later became one of the organizers of the firm of Secor & Bell, which was formed in 1898. This association was maintained for twenty-three years, or until the death of Mr. Secor in 1921, when the firm became Bell & Beckwith. This firm occupies a dominant position in stock brokerage circles in Toledo and its strength and reliability are fully attested by the extensive and high class clientele it serves. Mr. Bell has varied and extensive interests aside from those of Bell & Beckwith and enjoys a wide acquaintance among financial men throughout the country.

During the World war Mr. Bell was connected with the Emergency Fleet Corporation in the wood ship division on special assignment. He also served in an executive capacity during the Liberty Loan, Red Cross, Y. M. C. A. and other drives, devoting virtually his entire time to war work during that period. His broad humanitarianism is manifest in many ways, not the least of which is his service as president of the Toledo Hospital. He is also president of the Carranor Hunt and Polo Club and he belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He has membership in the Toledo Club, is a charter member of the Country Club, a member of the Inverness Club, the Castalia Trout Club, the Erie Shooting Club, the Bankers Club of New York, the Toledo Yacht Club and the Commerce Club. Mr. Bell's residence, "Maribell," on the Perrysburg road, is one of Toledo's attractive suburban homes.

HENRY M. RANKIN

Among the large productive industries of which Toledo is justly proud is that of the Tiedeman Glove Company, whose president, Henry M. Rankin, has devoted his life to manufacturing interests, and he is therefore well qualified to direct an extensive business of this character. He was born in Selma, Alabama, July 7, 1884, and his parents, Edwin and Henrietta (Ziegler) Rankin, were also natives of that state. The father is one of the foremost business men of Rome, Georgia, where for many years he has engaged in the manufacture of clothing, and his efforts have been crowned with a substantial measure of success. The mother passed away at Selma, Alabama, in 1887, leaving four children: Henry M.; Edwin G., a resident of Fort Worth, Texas; Pierce R., who is living in New Orleans, Louisiana; and Mrs. J. B. Cook, of Montgomery, Alabama.

The public schools of Montgomery afforded Henry M. Rankin his early educational opportunities and he afterward completed a course in the Alabama Polytechnical Institute at Auburn. From an early age he has been connected with manufacturing enterprises, gaining his initial experience along this line in his father's plant at Rome, Georgia, and for twelve years he assisted the latter in the conduct

of the business. The subject of this review then went to Winder, Georgia, as general manager of the Bell Manufacturing Company, which was operating branch establishments at Gainesville, that state, and also at Charleston, South Carolina. For five years he remained with that company and then became identified with a firm engaged in the manufacture of cotton goods at Cedar Rapids, Iowa. A year later he came to Toledo with the Hettrick Manufacturing Company, but left their service at the end of twelve months and on the 1st of January, 1922, was called to the presidency of the Tiedeman Glove Company, manufacturers of cotton and canvas gloves. The other officers of the company are W. E. Hettrick, vice president, and James G. Hickox, secretary and treasurer, and in the conduct of the business they utilize about two hundred persons. Mr. Rankin gives his close personal attention to every detail of the business and manifests strong executive power in its control. His expert knowledge of this industry, gained through close study and many years of practical experience, enables him successfully to direct the labors of those in his employ, toward whom he maintains an attitude of kindness and consideration, which has secured their hearty cooperation and goodwill, thus making for increased efficiency in the operation of the business.

Mr. Rankin was married December 5, 1906, to Miss Elizabeth I. Yost, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Yost of Bristol, Virginia, and a granddaughter of William Fain, who served as attorney general of Tennessee. Mr. and Mrs. Rankin have become the parents of two children: Elizabeth, who was born at Bristol, September 19, 1907, and is now a student at the Scott high school of Toledo; and Robert M., who was born in Rome, Georgia, October 1, 1911, and is attending the Southard private school of this city.

Mr. Rankin is a member of St. Mark's Episcopal church of Toledo and in politics he maintains an independent attitude, voting according to the dictates of his judgment. He is a member of the Optimists Club, the Chamber of Commerce and the Toledo Credit Men's Association and fraternally he is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Rankin has made good use of his time, talents and opportunities and his earnest and systematic efforts have been crowned with successful achievement. As a business man his standing is of the highest and he manifests a deep and helpful interest in everything pertaining to the welfare and progress of the city with which he has allied his interests.

GUY WORTH KINNEY

Guy Worth Kinney was born in Upper Sandusky, Ohio, November 8, 1853, the oldest son of Joseph and Eliza Ann (Carey) Kinney. His father at this time was probate judge in Upper Sandusky, but shortly afterward the family moved to a farm near Carey, Ohio, where his early life was spent. His maternal grandfather, John Carey, for whom the town of Carey was named, was one of the earliest settlers in this region. He was a man of great force of character, upright and public-spirited, and no doubt exerted a lasting influence on his grandson, who greatly admired him.

Mr. Kinney was a great lover of reading and study, even as a boy, and stood high in his classes as he advanced through the various grades of school, college and law school. He graduated from Western Reserve College in 1875, spent one year at

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Harvard Law School, completed his legal studies in the office of Judge Pennewell of Cleveland, and was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1877. Locating in Toledo, he became active at once in the professional, political and social life of the city.

In 1885 he was elected city solicitor, serving two terms and making an enviable record. This was the only public office he held but he was always keenly interested in all vital public affairs and gave freely of his time and labor in many civic problems.

In 1885 Mr. Kinney married Miss Nellie Weed of Philadelphia. They had one child, a son, Carey R. Kinney, now residing in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. Mrs. Kinney died in 1889.

Mr. Kinney was a profound student and thinker, absolutely independent in forming his opinions, unaffected by popular clamor, and impatient of superficial, slovenly methods and judgments. He held high ideals of what the legal profession should stand for, and lived up to these ideals in his own practice.

Mr. Kinney was greatly handicapped for a long period by failing health, but it had been a lifelong habit with him to combat physical ills by the force of his will and he continued actively engaged in business until a few weeks before his death, which occurred February 13, 1922.

ARTHUR WALTER BUNCE

One of the most important factors in the upbuilding and improvement of this city is the Toledo Savings Association, an old established and substantial financial enterprise, of which A. W. Bunce is secretary and manager, and his keen business sagacity and marked administrative ability well qualify him for his important duties. He was born in South Manchester, Connecticut, August 15, 1857, a son of Walter and Emily (McKee) Bunce, who were also natives of that state, in which they spent their lives. The father devoted his attention to the manufacture of paper. Both parents are now deceased.

In the acquirement of an education Arthur Walter Bunce attended the grammar schools of Hartford, Connecticut, and the high school at Rome, New York, and after completing his studies he went to New York city, where he secured employment. At the end of a year he left the eastern metropolis and in 1876 he arrived in Toledo, accepting the position of cashier for the C. L. Luce Company, with which he remained for fifteen years. On severing his relations with that firm he joined the Paddock-Hodge Company, wholesale grain dealers of this city, in the capacity of cashier and for thirty-one years continued with that house, being regarded as one of its most efficient and valued employes. On the 1st of November, 1921, Mr. Bunce became secretary and manager of the Toledo Savings Association and he is now serving in this capacity. The fact that he has been chosen to fill these important and responsible offices indicates the confidence reposed in his ability and integrity—a faith that is well justified, for he has instituted a most progressive policy and under his judicious administration the association is enjoying a very prosperous existence. It was incorporated in 1885 and during the intervening period of thirty-seven years has steadily grown and developed until it now ranks with the leading financial institutions of this part of the state. Its directors are W. W. Hoskin, H. A. Jones, A. W. Bunce, F. E. Calkins, J. G. Kapp, Sr., Dr. C. M. Harpster, George L. Shanks and A. F. Wunderlich and its assets and liabilities for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1921, amounted to two million,

two hundred and sixty-eight thousand, one hundred and fifty-one dollars and twenty-four cents. The association is founded on almost universal ambition of each individual for a home and through this agency the man of limited means is enabled to secure a comfortable and attractive residence at a reasonable cost and to gain a start in life. It also makes for better citizenship, for the owner of a home is bound to take a deeper and more helpful interest in the welfare of his city than the man who is not a taxpayer. The existence of this association and the large amount of new building resulting from its operation, gives a great and steady impetus to work in all the building trades and allied industries; in fact, there is scarcely an avenue of commercial activity that is not affected by the erection of each new home. It is thus clearly evident that an enterprise of this character is one of the greatest assets in stimulating the growth and development of a city and its influence upon a community is a most beneficial one.

On the 3d of February, 1882, Mr. Bunce was united in marriage to Miss Cora McBride, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Austin McBride of this city. Her demise occurred April 10, 1914. They were the parents of three children; Anna B., now Mrs. A. R. Ayers, of Cleveland, Ohio, who has three children, Alice, Samuel, and Helen. Mr. Ayers is superintendent of motive power for the Nickel Plate Railroad; Alice, a graduate of the Toledo schools, is living in this city; and Walter, who married Miss Melba Taber, is also a resident of Toledo.

Mr. Bunce is a member of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. That he is a progressive and public-spirited citizen is indicated by his membership in the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and he is also connected with the Exchange Club and the Masonic order. He is a self-made man whose life record commands uniform respect and confidence. Merit and ability have won him advancement and in all of his business career he has followed closely the rules which govern strict and unswerving integrity and unabating industry. For forty-six years he has made his home in Toledo and his genuine personal worth has won for him the unqualified respect and esteem of a large circle of friends. Mr. Bunce's residence is at No. 2120 Scottwood avenue.

ROBERT DONALD McCREE

Robert Donald McCree, thoroughly trained along mechanical lines and previously associated with important engineering work, became one of the organizers of the Toledo Coldmaker Company and devoted his time and efforts to the development and conduct of the business, until November, 1922, when he moved to Delphos, Ohio, to become manager of the Delphos Ice Company, which position he is most acceptably filling. Born in Chicago, on the 29th of November, 1894, he is a son of Robert Reed and Anna J. (Seaver) McCree, the former an accountant. Reared in his native city, he pursued his education in the public schools there and when he had put aside his textbooks, upon mastering the usual branches of the public school curriculum, he went to Ann Arbor, where he entered the engineering department of the University of Michigan, completing his course of study there as a member of the class of 1917. He afterward entered the civilians' branch of service in connection with the World war, with the rank of second lieutenant and was in the air service when discharged in January, 1919. He later became asso-

ciated with the engineering department of the city of Detroit, where he remained until November, 1919, and then came to Toledo. Here he was one of the organizers of the Toledo Coldmaker Company, Incorporated, and became technical service manager. His previous business experience and thorough training stood him in good stead in this relation as it will in his present association and he bids fair to attain a place of prominence, having already made progress along his chosen line of life work that many an older man might well envy.

HENRY MATTHEW DICK

Henry Matthew Dick, who was secretary and treasurer of the Gradwohl-Whitman Realty Company, was born in Quincy, Illinois, on the 23d of June, 1880, a son of Herman and Augusta (Brand) Dick. When he was but three years of age the parents left Illinois and came with their family to Toledo, where Henry M. Dick attended the public schools. Later he became a student in the Phillips Academy at Andover, Massachusetts, and graduated from Harvard in 1905.

His first commercial venture was in the storage battery business in Toledo and after a time he became assistant secretary of the Huebner Toledo Breweries Company. He was thus engaged until 1916, when he turned his attention to real estate interests and was elected secretary and treasurer of the Gradwohl-Whitman Realty Company. He thus entered actively into the purchase and sale of realty and negotiated many important property transfers. He also became an officer of the Sonora Mining & Development Company in the state of Sonora, Mexico, but at the time of the Yaqui uprising was compelled to leave the country for safety, although still owning much property there.

On the 25th of May, 1909, in New York, Mr. Dick was united in marriage to Miss Clara Reinhart of Toledo, a daughter of Florian and Magdalen Reinhart. Mr. Dick passed away on the 9th of July, 1919, as the result of a nervous breakdown. His political allegiance was always given to the republican party and he kept well informed on the questions and issues of the day. He belonged to the Toledo Club and to the Toledo Yacht Club and was a well informed man on every subject, reading widely and thinking deeply.

FLETCHER CLARK HULL

No business enterprise in Toledo has done more toward establishing the prestige of the city as an industrial center than has that of Hull Brothers and Haas Company, the well known umbrella manufacturers. Fletcher Clark Hull, the secretary and treasurer of the firm, was born in Fayette county, Ohio, November 20, 1866, of the union of Henry W. and Eliza (Crouch) Hull, both of whom were natives of West Virginia. In early life they came to Ohio, settling in Fayette county in 1855, and there the father followed the occupation of farming until called to his final rest. The mother has also passed away. Their family numbered seven children, of whom four survive: Randolph P., president of the firm of Hull Brothers & Haas Company; Cephas, a resident of San Francisco, California; Mrs. Drusilla Lewis, who is living in Montreal, Missouri, and Fletcher C.

Fletcher Clark Hull acquired his education in the public schools of Fayette county, Ohio, and at Martinsville, in Clinton county, this state, remaining upon the home farm until he reached the age of thirteen years when he then started out in life on his own account, working on a farm for three years, when he secured a position as clerk in a store at Morrisville, Ohio, where he remained for a year, and then went to Wilmington, Ohio, and was there for five years similarly employed. Going to Norwalk, Ohio, he engaged in the dry goods business in partnership with his brother, but disposed of his interest in the undertaking at the end of three years and became traveling salesman for an umbrella house, which he successfully represented for eight years, gaining a comprehensive knowledge of the business. In 1899 he, together with his brother, R. P. Hull, began the manufacture of umbrellas at Norwalk, where they conducted their interests successfully for a period of seven years, or until January, 1906, when the business was removed to Toledo, Ohio, occupying the building at 346 Summit street. Three years later the firm erected its present plant at 1447-1457 Summit street in Toledo, this being the first industry to locate in that section of the city. The firm name of Hull Brothers Umbrella Company was retained until January 1, 1923, when it was changed to Hull Bros. and Haas Company, C. H. Haas being admitted to the firm in recognition of his connection with the company for sixteen years and his valued assistance in building up the business of the company. Fletcher Clark Hull's brother, Randolph P. Hull, is president of the firm, and C. H. Haas vice president and general manager, while Fletcher C. is filling the offices of secretary and treasurer. Their factory is one of the most modern and best equipped in the city and in the conduct of their business they employ about one hundred and fifty people. Since its inception the business has enjoyed a remarkably rapid growth, owing to the superior quality of their output, which has secured for it a wide sale, and they are numbered among the four largest manufacturers of umbrellas in the world.

On the 29th of June, 1898, at Norwalk, Ohio, was solemnized the marriage of Fletcher C. Hull and Miss Marie D. Hirsh, a daughter of Mrs. Dora Hack of that city. They are members of the Methodist Episcopal church and Mr. Hull is also identified with the National Chamber of Commerce and the United Commercial Travelers of Norwalk, Ohio. When national issues are at stake he supports the candidates of the republican party, but at local elections he casts an independent ballot, voting for the man whom he deems best qualified for office without regard to party ties. He has led an active and useful life, employing every opportunity to advance, and his present success is entirely attributable to his own labors. He is a man of high personal standing, of marked business integrity and ability, and in winning prosperity he has at the same time gained the respect and goodwill of all with whom he has been associated.

CHARLES GRANVILLE WILSON

Charles Granville Wilson, a lawyer of eminent ability and power, has in recent years withdrawn more and more largely from the active practice of the profession, until his time and energies are now given to business affairs and investments of importance that place him in a commanding position in financial and commercial circles. Forceful and resourceful, with marked adaptability, his activities in everything that he has undertaken have spelled success, nor has he

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ever allowed professional and business interests so to monopolize his time as to exclude his participation in and enjoyment of those things which make for culture and which bring a broader vision and keener insight into the history of the past and present.

Charles Granville Wilson was born in Fremont, Sandusky county, Ohio, June 27, 1846, and is a representative of one of the old and honored pioneer families of the state. His great-grandfather, James Wilson, a native of New England, removed to Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, about 1791 and there two years later he wedded Rebecca Orwig. In the same year, while making a journey to the forest, he was murdered by Indians. He was a lawyer by profession and a man of liberal education for that day. His only son, Samuel Wilson, became a prosperous merchant, banker and landowner of central Pennsylvania, residing for many years at New Berlin, that state. It was there that James William Wilson, the father of Charles G. Wilson, was born on the 1st of February, 1816. He supplemented his early public school education by study in the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia and was there graduated in March, 1837, receiving the M. D. degree. For two years thereafter he practiced his profession in Center county, Pennsylvania, and in July, 1839, removed to Fremont, Ohio, then known as Lower Sandusky. He was not long in gaining a large practice and he continued to make his home in Fremont until his death, which occurred July 21, 1904. He never hesitated to respond to the call of the sick, no matter what personal discomforts or sacrifice might be involved thereby and he never stopped to consider whether any pecuniary reward would be forthcoming. He held to the old-fashioned ideas that a physician is to serve humanity and his life work was of the greatest benefit and blessing to those among whom he lived and labored. He also became an active factor in organizing the First National Bank of Fremont in May, 1863, theirs being the fifth national bank charter issued in the United States. Dr. Wilson continued to act as vice president of the organization until January 27, 1874, when he was elected to the presidency and so served until his demise. He was also one of the founders of the Fremont Savings Bank in April, 1882, and continuously filled the office of president from the day the bank opened its doors until his life's labors were ended. He prospered as the years passed by and he placed not a little of his funds in that safest of all investments—real estate—acquiring property in Sandusky, Wood and Lucas counties. At different periods he was called upon to fill various offices of honor, trust and responsibility and at no time did he seek to evade his duty in this regard.

Dr. Wilson was united in marriage to Nancy Justice, a daughter of James Justice, who was born in Bedford county, Pennsylvania, August 18, 1794, and was of English lineage. In his boyhood he accompanied his parents on their removal to Chillicothe, Ohio, and in 1820 he wedded Eliza Moore, who was of Scotch descent, and a granddaughter of George Davis, who was a Revolutionary war soldier. In 1822 James Justice established his home in what is now Fremont, Ohio, there residing until called to his final rest in 1873. The same spirit of patriotism that characterized another of the ancestors of C. G. Wilson was manifest in him by his service in the War of 1812 and his participation in some of the campaigns in northwestern Ohio. He aided in large measure in planting the seeds of civilization and development in this section of the state. In 1825, when but thirty-one years of age, he was elected associate judge of the court of common pleas and was commissioned for seven years by Governor Jeremiah Morrow. In 1832 he was reelected and was commissioned for another term of seven years by Governor

Duncan McArthur. He possessed a seemingly unlimited fund of common sense, a quality which is too often lacking, causing many a failure. He was also endowed with that "saving sense of humor" and at the same time he possessed qualities so vital in the attainment of business success, which he won along the lines of manufacturing and banking.

It will thus be seen that in both the paternal and maternal lines Charles Granville Wilson represents pioneer families of this state. He was a pupil in the public schools of Fremont until April, 1863, when he matriculated in a college preparatory school conducted by the Rev. Mr. Brayton at Painesville, Ohio, being there a schoolmate of several boys who were later numbered among the most distinguished citizens of Toledo. He there continued his studies for a little more than a year and in September, 1864, entered Milnor Hall, a college preparatory school at Gambier. He next became a freshman in Kenyon College at Gambier and completed a four years' classical course on the 25th of June, 1868, being graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree. Three years later, on the 28th of June, 1871, Kenyon College conferred upon him the Master of Arts degree. During his college days he was much interested in athletics and played on the first baseball nine of the college throughout his four years' course as shortstop and catcher, while during his junior and senior years he was captain of the team, being known as the "home-run getter." At that time his weight was between a hundred and thirty and a hundred and forty pounds and he was very active and strong, making it his rule to practice in the gymnasium almost every day. During his preparatory and college courses he never encountered defeat in contests of running and high and broad jumping. In his freshman year he was elected to membership in the Alpha Delta Phi, one of the first as well as one of the leading college fraternities of this country. He was also identified with the Nu Pi Kappa, a literary and debating society. During his senior year he was elected president of his class and he was one of the four editors of the Kenyon Reveille, the senior class publication. In 1868, with four fellow fraternity men of the senior class, he took the master's and the two preceding degrees in the Masonic lodge at Mount Vernon, Ohio. Following his graduation from Kenyon College, Mr. Wilson continued his studies in the law office of Buckland, Everett & Fowler at Fremont until October, 1869, when he matriculated in the Harvard Law School and pursued the full two years' course, whereby he won the LL. B. degree at his graduation on the 28th of June, 1871. On the 4th of September of the same year he was admitted to the bar of Elyria, Ohio, upon examination before the district court there. On the 2d of October of the same year he became a resident of Toledo and entered into active association with the law firm of Pratt & Starr. Following the withdrawal of Charles C. Starr from the partnership in July, 1872, he joined Charles Pratt in a partnership, under the style of Pratt & Wilson. A third partner was added on the admission of Erskine H. Potter in 1879, but the firm of Pratt, Wilson & Potter was discontinued in 1880, through the withdrawal of Mr. Potter, the association of Pratt & Wilson then being maintained uninterruptedly until 1884, when they were joined by Henry S. Pratt, a son of the senior partner, under the style of Pratt, Wilson & Pratt. Again the old firm name of Pratt & Wilson was assumed with the withdrawal of Henry S. Pratt in 1890 and so continued until February 1, 1895. For almost twenty-four years Mr. Wilson was thus actively associated in practice with Charles Pratt, who at the last mentioned date severed the partnership relation in order to accept the position of judge of the common pleas court. The firm of Pratt & Wilson was long recognized as one of

the most forceful and capable at the bar of Ohio, for their practice covered Ottawa and Wood as well as Lucas counties. Mr. Wilson looked after the greater share of this outside business and thus became a familiar figure in the courts of the different counties. Since the dissolution of the partnership Mr. Wilson largely practiced alone. He ranks as one of the most distinguished members of the bar of this state, his arguments being based upon the facts in the case and the law applicable to them and at all times he displays a profound knowledge of the principles of jurisprudence. He enjoyed for many years an extensive clientage of a most important character but in later years he has more and more largely withdrawn from active practice, until he is now virtually retired from the bar. This has been due to the growth of his business interests through active connection with corporations and by reason of the extent of his investments. On the 1st of November, 1893, Mr. Wilson was made a director of the First National Bank of Fremont and has since been one of its directors. On the 5th of August, 1904, he was elected vice president and on the 4th of April, 1906, was elected to the presidency, in which position he continues. He is also a director of the Fremont Savings Bank & Trust Company. In recent years he has given much of his time and capital to the production of crude petroleum oil from wells drilled on some of his own land in Sandusky county. He has likewise contributed in large measure to the agricultural development of Ohio, owning many farm properties in Lucas, Wood and Sandusky counties, which under his direction have been most carefully and profitably cultivated. He is likewise a stockholder in many corporate interests and industrial concerns, also a number of banks and thus his constantly expanding business activities are making ample demand upon his time and energy.

On the 6th of September, 1876, Mr. Wilson was married to Miss Cornelia L. Amsden, a daughter of Isaac and Cornelia B. Amsden of Fremont. Their children are: Cornelia A., the wife of William F. Johnson of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Justice, a prominent attorney of Toledo. The wife and mother passed away in this city, January 18, 1911, and all Toledo, as well as her immediate family and her close friends, had reason to mourn her death, because of the active part which she had taken in the charitable and benevolent work of the city. She was most loyally devoted to a number of institutions of this character and was particularly interested in the Toledo Boys' Home, of which she was president for fifteen years. Her time, her means and her efforts were always at the command of the institution and her work was one of the most valuable contributing elements to the success of the home. Mrs. Wilson likewise served as vice regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution and she was a most consistent and faithful member of the Trinity Episcopal church. She was fifty-five years of age at the time of her demise.

Mr. Wilson has membership in Sanford L. Collins Lodge, No. 396, A. F. & A. M., also Toledo Commandery No. 7, K. T., and the various Scottish Rite bodies, including the Toledo Consistory, while with the Nobles of Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine he has crossed the sands of the desert. He belongs to the Toledo Club, the Country Club, the Toledo Commerce Club, the Fremont Chamber of Commerce of Fremont, Ohio, and for many years was identified with the Burns Curling Club. Along strictly professional lines his connection is with the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations. His political allegiance has ever been unfalteringly given to the republican party and he has frequently been a delegate to its conventions. He served for many years as ward committeeman and was a member at different times of the city and county central committees and

also of the executive committee. He has acted as chairman of the republican city committee and as a member of the judicial committee for Lucas county. In 1884 he was nominated for the office of judge of the common pleas court for the first subdivision of the fourth judicial district, comprising Lucas, Ottawa, Sandusky, Erie and Huron counties. This is normally a strong democratic territory but his personal popularity and the confidence reposed in him was indicated in the fact that he ran far ahead of his ticket in every county, especially in Lucas county, where he makes his home, and for a time after the election it was conceded that he was the successful candidate. When the back district of Ottawa county finally reported it was found that he had been defeated, however, by a small majority. Notwithstanding, he received a very large vote and his support was all the more noticeable as it was in this year that Grover Cleveland was elected president of the United States. In 1888 Mr. Wilson was again nominated for the same office. While undoubtedly not without that laudable ambition which is so great an incentive for capability and fidelity in public office he has nevertheless regarded the pursuits of private life as in themselves worthy of his best efforts and as a private citizen he has done great good for his community in various fields of activity and service.

HENRY J. SPIEKER

Death seems to love a shining mark and often removes from our midst those whom we can ill afford to lose because of their contribution to and support of all those activities and forces which are of real value in the upbuilding and progress of a community. Such a citizen was Henry J. Spieker and Toledo profited by his worth and work for a period of more than a third of a century. He became the founder and promoter of the Henry J. Spieker Company, conducting one of the largest contracting and building enterprises in northwestern Ohio—a business that is still carried on by his son, A. Gideon Spieker. Henry J. Spieker remained in active connection with the business until a few months prior to his death, which occurred on the 31st of July, 1916. He was at that time fifty-nine years of age, his birth having occurred in Hanover, Germany, January 19, 1857. He was the eldest in a family of five children whose parents were Gerhardt Henry and Eliza (Clausing) Spieker, who were likewise natives of Hanover, where they spent their lives. The father died in December, 1908. The mother passed away when their son Henry was but eleven years of age.

Henry J. Spieker continued a resident of Germany to the age of twenty-three and acquired a good education in the schools of that country, also learning the carpenter's trade through serving a regular apprenticeship thereto. The year 1880 witnessed his arrival in the new world and he made his way direct from New York to Toledo, here finding employment the following day as a carpenter. Steadily he advanced in business connections and in 1888 became a building contractor, his labors eventually resulting in the organization of the Henry J. Spieker Company, which became one of the foremost concerns in the contracting and building business in this section of the state. Mr. Spieker, as head of the company, erected some of the finest structures in Toledo and elsewhere, including the Toledo Museum of Art, the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church, St. Mark's Episcopal church, the Young Men's Christian Association building, the Ohio building, the People's Sav-

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ings Association building, the National Union building, the Ursuline convent, the Schmidt building, the Newsboys building, the Country Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, the Scott and Waite high schools and a large number of the finest and most attractive residences of the city.

On the 18th of May, 1884, Mr. Spieker was united in marriage to Miss Sophia Kuhlmann, a daughter of Christian and Freund Kuhlmann, both representing old German families of Toledo. Her father is deceased. Mrs. Spieker was born in this city and by her marriage became the mother of the following named: Fred G., A. Gideon and John, all active members of the Spieker Contracting Company; Mrs. Thomas Eslinger of Battle Creek, Michigan; Florence; and Frances. A most attractive modern residence was being erected by Mr. Spieker for his family when death called him. In politics he was a stanch republican and he was a generous supporter of the Salem Lutheran church on Huron street. He belonged to the Toledo Commerce Club, to the Toledo Yacht Club and to the Toledo Lodge of Elks. He possessed a generous disposition and his philanthropy was wide, yet his charity was at all times most unostentatiously given. He was a man of unquestioned integrity and his life displayed many sterling qualities that gained for him the respect and confidence of his fellowmen and made him one of the foremost residents of Toledo. He deserved much credit for what he accomplished. Without special advantages at the outset of his career, he worked his way steadily upward through the force of his own character and the improvement of the opportunities which came his way. His indefatigable energy declined no call to labor or to service and he left to his family not only a handsome competence but also the priceless heritage of an untarnished name.

FRANK MICHAEL AND GEORGE BERNARD SCHRAMM

Frank Michael and George Bernard Schramm are members of the firm of Schramm Brothers, Florists, of Toledo, where they are conducting a business that was established by their grandfather. Throughout the intervening period the business has been in possession of members of the family and today is being further developed and enlarged by the two enterprising and progressive men who are at its head. Frank Michael Schramm was born in Toledo, September 28, 1889, and is a son of Anton and Margaret (Reuscher) Schramm. His father was a son of Bernard Schramm, who came to Toledo in 1859 and in 1864 established business as a florist, continuing in active connection with the business to the time of his demise. He was then succeeded by his sons, who conducted the enterprise and the son, Anton, was also a prominent factor in the further development and conduct of the business until he was called to his final rest in 1904. It was then that his sons, Frank M. and George B. Schramm, took charge and have since carried on the business at Nos. 1307 to 1315 Cherry street.

Frank M. Schramm pursued his education in St. Mary's parochial school and after his school days were over he became the associate of his father, taking over the business in 1910, after the father's demise. There is no phase of the business with which he is not thoroughly familiar and his labors have been an important element in promoting the further development of the trade.

On the 12th of June, 1912, Frank M. Schramm was married to Miss Elizabeth G. Textor of Toledo and they have become parents of three children: Dorothy

Louise, Robert Frank and Bernard George. The religious faith of the family is indicated by its membership in St. Mary's Catholic church and Mr. Schramm is identified with the Knights of Columbus, also with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Woodmen of the World. He likewise belongs to the Kiwanis Club and in these different organizations enjoys the friendship and comradeship of many of his fellow members.

George Bernard Schramm, who is associated with his brother in the conduct and ownership of the florist business, was born in Toledo, July 10, 1895. He was educated in St. Mary's parochial school and in St. John's College, being graduated from the latter with the class of 1912. He later became actively identified with his brother in carrying on the business, which had been established by their grandfather and was later owned and managed by their father.

George B. Schramm is a member of several fraternal organizations and clubs. He belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Knights of St. John and the Foresters of America and he is also associated with the Lions Club and with the Riverside Boat Club. The brothers are well known and representative business men of the city and have fully sustained the high record that has always been associated with the name of Schramm since the grandfather arrived in this city more than sixty-four years ago, while the business which he founded fifty-eight years ago is still in existence and is a monument to his progressive spirit. The same fidelity, earnestness and enterprise has been manifest in succeeding generations and is expressed in the business record of the present proprietors.

JOHN HENRY GERKENS

Starting out in the business world to provide for his own support when a youth of fourteen years, in a minor clerical position, John Henry Gerkens has advanced steadily through the utilization of his powers and his chances for progress, until he is now the treasurer of The Willys-Overland Company and a prominent figure in connection with Toledo's largest industry. Born in Toledo, on the 25th of January, 1887, he is a son of Edward E. and Alice E. (Whittingham) Gerkens. The father was connected with railroad interests for twenty-seven years but is now deceased.

The public schools of Toledo accorded John Henry Gerkens his educational opportunities and he pursued his studies through the age of fourteen years, when he put aside his textbooks, becoming a clerk in the inspector's office of the Toledo Produce Exchange, where he remained for a year. He was afterward employed as messenger at the Merchants National Bank and later held various positions in the Second National Bank, thus acquainting himself with many phases of the banking business. In November, 1909, he became connected with the Overland Company, first as a bookkeeper, and his rise from that time has been through the years of the company's wonderful growth and development, he being now one of the oldest officials of the company in point of service. On the 9th of May, 1922, he was elected to the treasurership of The Willys-Overland Company and as one of its officials he is bending his efforts to an administrative direction that has brought it up among the first four companies in the automobile industry of the country.

In Toledo, on the 19th of August, 1916, Mr. Gerkens was united in marriage

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to Miss Myrtle M. Marion, a native of this city. Mr. Gerkens is a Mason, who has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in the consistory and also become a member of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club and the Chamber of Commerce, and finds his greatest recreation in golf. Mr. Gerkens is a loyal Toledoan and has spent his life in this city, where many of his warmest friends have been acquaintances from boyhood.

ALBERT J. NEUHAUSEL

Albert J. Neuhausel is the vice president and the general manager of The Neuhausel Brothers Company, conducting a wholesale and retail dry goods establishment in Toledo. The business has enjoyed a continuous existence of a half century and throughout the period the name has stood for progressiveness, efficiency and reliability. The same characteristic qualities have been manifested by the younger generation that has been called to take over the management of the business and those who are now in charge have added new laurels to an untarnished family record.

Albert J. Neuhausel was born in Toledo, June 25, 1868, being a son of Nicholas and Barbara (Huster) Neuhausel, both of whom were natives of Germany but were brought to America in early life. The grandfather in the paternal line was Nicholas Neuhausel, Sr., who was born in Ober Roden, Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, January 1, 1810, and was about ninety years of age when he passed away in Toledo. He learned the tailor's trade from his father and also became familiar with agricultural pursuits while spending his youthful days in his native land as one of a family of four brothers and two sisters. Three of the brothers removed to southern France but Nicholas Neuhausel, Sr., chose America as the scene of his future labors and with his family came to the new world, settling first in Baltimore. He had been married in 1833 to Anna Mary Becker. They spent six years in Baltimore and in 1858 came to Toledo, where they spent their remaining days, traveling life's journey together as husband and wife for fifty-one years. They celebrated their golden wedding in 1883, Mrs. Neuhausel passing away the following year.

Nicholas Neuhausel, Jr., was largely reared on this side the Atlantic and he became one of the founders of the present business in association with his brothers. The store was opened nearly a half century ago by Nicholas, Jr., Martin, John F. and George C. Neuhausel, who in 1852 had accompanied their parents on the emigration from Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, to Baltimore, where they arrived on the 10th of July. After coming to Toledo in 1858 the brothers were employed by one of the several dry goods merchants prominent in connection with the early commercial history of the city. Soon after the Civil war, in which Martin Neuhausel had fought in defense of the Union, the brothers decided to establish a store of their own. It was a modest entrance upon the commercial life of Toledo that the young merchants made on the morning of August 15, 1866. Their stock required but one side of the aisle of a single little store on Summit street but it was a well chosen, fairly priced stock of only the kind of merchandise that could be safely recommended. A small but well begun business, which through its strict adherence to its established high standards of merchandising, through an unswerving policy of fair and honest dealing in exclusively worth-while goods, was

destined to grow to be one of the city's best known and most profitable mercantile establishments. On the evening of July 8, 1892, the store was destroyed in a great fire that wrecked the building and practically burned the entire stock. It is a notable fact, however, that though comparatively put out of business by so disastrous a fire, not a day's time was lost. The adjoining store was immediately acquired on the following morning and by noon business was resumed, though of course, in a limited way. Negotiations were opened at once for the purchase of the ground on which the burned store had stood. The deal was soon closed and the erection of a new store begun, into which the stock was removed in 1893. Since the very beginning of their commercial career in Toledo the Neuhausel Brothers have enjoyed a peculiarly unstinted confidence and the goodwill among the shopping public of Toledo and surrounding territory, a confidence that is merited through the unquestioned probity that has marked their business methods throughout the past half century. The firm today has the distinction of enjoying the same reputation for integrity, the same reputation for dealing in exclusively dependable merchandise, as it did at the beginning, nearly fifty years ago, and it is to this close adherence to open, straightforward business methods that it owes the goodwill of its many thousands of friends and patrons.

The Neuhausel Brothers are also known for their warm-hearted solicitude for the welfare of their employes. The regard of the firm for its workers was never better illustrated than on December 24, 1912, when, due notice having been given, the store closed its doors at six o'clock. This was the first time in the history of Toledo that a store had the courage to close early on Christmas eve and so afford its employes the opportunity of spending the evening at home with their families. Since the 1st of February, 1913, the Neuhausel store has closed its doors on Saturdays at six p. m., which was another truly progressive move and which followed an effort on the part of the firm, covering two or three years previous, in the matter of agitating the question of early closing on Saturdays. Nicholas Neuhausel, Jr., remained an active factor in the conduct and success of the business for many years but is now living retired, enjoying in well earned rest the fruits of his former toil. His wife has passed away. They became parents of thirteen children, of whom nine survive and of these, four sons are active in the business of Neuhausel Brothers: Albert G. is vice president and general manager; Charles A. is secretary; Frederick J. is a director; and Lawrence J. is likewise a director.

Albert J. Neuhausel attended St. Mary's parochial school of Toledo and also the Jesuit College at Buffalo, where he remained a student for three years. At the age of sixteen he returned to this city and entered the business conducted by his father and uncles. His original position was that of bundle wrapper, since which time he has worked his way upward through various departments, winning various promotions until he became general manager. With the incorporation of the business he was also made one of the directors and is now vice president of the company. He has comprehensive knowledge of each phase and detail of the trade and in the further control of the store has displayed the same progressive spirit which has characterized the establishment from the beginning.

In August, 1905, Albert Neuhausel was married to Miss Harriett Branek, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Branek of this city. They are members of the Roman Catholic church and he has attained the third degree in the Knights of Columbus council. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and to the Retail Merchants Board of Toledo and has long figured as one of the foremost factors in commercial circles here. The store, of which he is now one of the chief executives.

employs a hundred and fifty sales people and has long been regarded as one of Toledo's representative mercantile establishments. The members of the firm are justly proud of their success but are prouder still of the honor and good name that has ever been associated with the house.

DALE WILSON, M. D.

Dr. Dale Wilson, a Toledo physician, specializing in orthopedic surgery, was born in this city September 12, 1878, a son of Dr. Frank P. and Nancy (Raines) Wilson. The father's birth occurred in Lewisburg, Union county, Pennsylvania, December 5, 1841, his parents being Francis and Mary (Chamberlain) Wilson, who were also natives of Lewisburg, born in 1800 and 1810, respectively. Francis Wilson devoted his life to agricultural pursuits and he gave his political allegiance first to the whig and afterward to the republican party. Both he and his wife were long consistent members of the Presbyterian church and the former passed away in 1874, while the latter died in 1884. Both were descended from old colonial families that were represented in the Revolutionary war.

Their son, Dr. Frank P. Wilson, who was one of a family of eleven children, supplemented his public school education by study in the Bucknell University at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, and afterward attended the Princeton University of New Jersey and the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia. He was graduated from the last named institution in 1862 with the M. D. degree, but ere his diploma was accorded him he had enlisted, in April, 1861, as a private of Company A, Fourth Pennsylvania Infantry, with which he served until the expiration of his three months' term of service. He afterward reenlisted in Company A, One Hundred and Thirty-first Pennsylvania Infantry, for nine months' service, and when that regiment was mustered out became a contract surgeon. He was assistant surgeon of the Fiftieth Pennsylvania in the fall of 1864 and so continued until the close of the war. In the meantime he participated in many important engagement's including the second battle of Bull Run, South Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. Not long after the close of the war he removed to Toledo, where he entered upon the active practice of medicine and surgery and soon won place among the leading physicians of the city—a position which he has continued to occupy to the present time. He belongs to the Lucas County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society, the American Medical Association and the Ohio State Academy of Medicine and he formerly served on the board of United States medical pension examiners. Fraternally he is connected with the Masons and the Knights of Pythias and he proudly wears the little bronze button that proclaims him a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, while politically he has been a republican since the organization of the party. He was married December 2, 1868, to Miss Nancy Raines, who was born in Greenville, Darke county, Ohio, a daughter of Thomas E. Raines, deceased, who for many years was a prominent retail lumber merchant of Toledo. Dr. and Mrs. Wilson became parents of a son and a daughter, Dale and Mary, the latter born November 22, 1882.

Reared in his native city, Dr. Dale Wilson completed the high school course with the class of 1899 and then, having determined to follow in his father's professional footsteps, he entered the Toledo Medical College, in which he completed his course in 1901. He had previously served in the Spanish-American war with the Toledo

Cadets as a private of Company L, Sixth Regiment, but being stricken with fever returned home. When he had completed his preparation for a professional career he entered into active practice with his father, with whom he was associated for some time. Later he took up work in a New York hospital for the relief of crippled children and since that time has specialized in orthopedic surgery. He has pursued several postgraduate courses and is one of the best informed men in this branch of the profession in Ohio. Thoroughly understanding the basic principles which underlie orthopedic practice, he has accomplished splendid results and has won a most creditable name and fame in this field.

Like his father, Dr. Dale Wilson also has a most creditable military record, for in the World war he served with signal honor, winning the rank of major for "extraordinary, meritorious and conspicuous service as director Ambulance Service, One Hundred and Twelfth Sanitary Train." This quotation is from a communication written in France, August 13, 1919, and signed "John J. Pershing."

When the country no longer needed his military aid Dr. Wilson returned to Toledo, where he continues in practice, giving his attention largely to his specialty. He is a member of the Lucas County Medical Society, the Northwestern Medical Association, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association and through his connection with these bodies keeps in touch with the trend of modern professional thought, progress and investigation. He is a member of the United Spanish-American War Veterans and of the American Legion and fraternally is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Pythias. The spirit of progress has actuated him at every point in his career and a laudable ambition has prevented satisfaction with what he has already attained. On the contrary, he has been constantly reaching out to achieve a point of greater usefulness and of broader activity, and judging by what he has already accomplished, one does not hesitate to predict that his future will be one of still wider interests and more effective service for the benefit of mankind.

THOMAS DAVIES

Thomas Davies is one of Toledo's well known business men whose activities along several lines of business have made for him an exceptionally wide acquaintance, and in more recent years his prominent connection with the real estate business has won him a place of leadership among the realtors of this city. Moreover, it would be giving an inadequate picture of Mr. Davies to mention him simply as a business man. He is a writer of creditable verse, the possessor of a fine tenor voice and he has also qualities which make for popularity wherever he is known, and back of all this are the high standards of manhood and citizenship which he always maintains.

Thomas Davies was born in Hubbard, Trumbull county, Ohio, February 7, 1874, his parents being David T. and Martha (Williams) Davies, both of whom were natives of Wales, whence they came to the new world in early life. In 1864 David T. Davies became a resident of Hubbard, Ohio, where he was employed in a steel mill. Later he conducted a general store at Brookfield, Ohio, and afterward removed to Youngstown, Ohio, where he was superintendent of the Valley Rolling Mills. At a subsequent period he removed to Toledo and engaged in the rolling mill business until he retired from active life in 1900. He met an accidental death in

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1908, being struck down by one of the cars of the Lake Shore Electric Railroad while crossing the tracks. His wife passed away in Toledo, March 4, 1904. In their family were thirteen children, eight sons and five daughters.

Thomas Davies pursued his education in the grade schools of Youngstown, Ohio, and was a boy of about fifteen when his parents removed to Toledo, where he attended school for only one day. When twelve years of age he started out to earn his living and since that time has depended upon his own resources, and his entire course has been marked by a steady progress and indicates a splendid use of his talents and opportunities. He was first employed as delivery boy and clerk in a grocery store and remained in active connection with the grocery trade for eight years, winning advancement from time to time and constantly adding to his knowledge through experience. He afterward became a salesman in a large clothing house of Toledo, in which he remained for two years.

After giving up his position as a clothing salesman, he decided to study banking and secured a position as bank messenger on the east side. He rose to the position of paying teller within six years and it was with regret on the part of the bank that he severed his connection with the institution, but he felt that broader opportunity called elsewhere. It was at this time that he organized a foundry company and devoted his undivided attention to the development and expansion of the business until the Maumee Foundry Company offered him an attractive price for his interest, and he sold out. With the capital thus acquired he purchased the business of the three leading transfer companies of Toledo and merged these into one, under the name of the Toledo Transfer Company, of which he remained the head and manager through five years of continually growing success. He then disposed of the business to become the secretary of the George E. Pomeroy Company, real estate and insurance firm, with whom he remained for several years and during this period, with his characteristic thoroughness and determination, he acquainted himself with every phase of real estate and insurance, and in this field has since directed his operations. After leaving the Pomeroy Company he became business manager for the E. H. Close Realty Company and so continued until 1918, when he organized the Thomas Davies Realty Company and in this connection he became one of the dominant factors in the real estate field of Toledo. The company, of which he was president, specialized in handling business properties, and successfully negotiated one of the largest leasehold contracts ever taken over in Toledo, calling for more than a million and a half dollars. This transaction was made with the Woolworth Company of New York city, by which they are to pay a gross rental of ninety thousand dollars per year for the southeast corner of Superior and Adams streets.

On June 1, 1922, Mr. Davies disposed of his interests in the Thomas Davies Realty Company and became connected with The Reuben Realty Company, of which he is a vice president and in charge of the business properties and factory sites department.

On the 4th of March, 1903, Mr. Davies was united in marriage to Miss Agnes Tracy, a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James L. Tracy of Toledo, and they are now parents of two children: Elizabeth, born in 1904; and James, in 1909. The daughter was graduated from the high school with honors, receiving a gold medal and a silver medal and she is now a student in the University of Toledo.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Davies are prominent in the musical circles of the city and have been endowed with unusual talent in this direction. Possessing a natural voice of rare beauty, Mrs. Davies has received training under some of the most eminent American masters, including Evan Williams and Theodore Tait. Mr.

Davies has been a member of the choir of Trinity Episcopal church, regarded as one of the best choirs in the United States. For twenty years he has been in demand as a tenor soloist and has frequently received attractive offers to become a member of the Metropolitan Opera Company, but on account of his family and love of home he has always declined. Mr. Davies belongs to the American Insurance Union, to the Toledo Commerce Club, the Exchange Club and to the Toledo Auto Club. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and Shriner and also belongs to the Grotto. He has membership with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and with the Loyal Order of Moose. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and his religious faith is expressed in his membership in the Epworth Methodist Episcopal church. His is a well balanced make-up. He is sufficiently optimistic always to look upon the bright side of life, to believe in the triumph of good and the ultimate victory of the right, but he also believes that for this achievement every individual must do his part and Thomas Davies has never failed to do his in any relation of life. His residence is at No. 2601 Scottwood avenue.

GEORGE LESTER McKESSON

The life record of George Lester McKesson is characterized by a steady advancement that has brought him to the vice presidency and treasurership of the Haughton Elevator & Machine Company of Toledo. The steps in his orderly progression are easily discernible and indicate the constant development of his powers, combined with the wise use of his opportunities. At every point in his career he seems to have reached the utmost possible at that point and his life story is an illustration of what can be achieved through personal efforts, intelligently directed. Mr. McKesson was born July 9, 1876, at Collins, Huron county, Ohio, being the only son of Lester V. and Harriet (Fisher) McKesson. The parents were also natives of the Buckeye state, his father's birth having occurred at Enterprise, Erie county, while the mother was born at Sandusky and in that city their marriage was celebrated. At the time of the Civil war Lester V. McKesson responded to the call for troops to aid in defense of the Union, enlisting as a private in Company E, Eighth Ohio Infantry and rising to the rank of lieutenant. He was awarded a medal for heroic service and is numbered with that great army of Boys in Blue whose military record is a credit and honor to the state of Ohio, whence they went to the front. When the war was over Mr. McKesson established a sawmill and bending works at Collins, Ohio, where he continued in business until 1890 and then moved to Clarksville, Tennessee, where he conducted a similar business and also manufactured vehicle spokes. In the spring of 1898 the family residence was established in Toledo, where Mr. McKesson turned his attention to the real estate and investment business, becoming senior partner in the firm of McKesson & Cone. The family is noted for longevity, the father of Lester V. McKesson reaching the advanced age of ninety-two years. Lester McKesson still makes his home in Toledo and is mentioned elsewhere in this work. To him and his wife were born a son and two daughters, the latter being Jennie E., formerly principal of the Wayne public school in Toledo; and Carrie E., deceased, who had married John W. Brandau, a prominent physician of Clarksville, Tennessee. All three were born at Collins, Ohio, where they attended the public schools, while Jennie E. McKesson was graduated from Baldwin University at Berea, Ohio, as a member

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of the class of 1888, and Mrs. Brandau completed her study in Miss Law's training school in Toledo.

The first fourteen years of his life were passed by George L. McKesson in his native state and he then accompanied his parents to Clarksville, Tennessee, where he was a student in the Southwestern Presbyterian University for a time. He afterward matriculated in the Eastman Business College at Poughkeepsie, New York, where after a thorough course he received his diploma in 1897. He subsequently spent two years in connection with his father's business in Clarksville, Tennessee, and with the removal of the family to Toledo he accepted the position of bill clerk with the Woolson Spice Company. A little later, however, he went to Cleveland and for two years was a representative of the wholesale hardware house of the George Worthington Company. On the expiration of that period he returned to Toledo and again entered into active connection with the Woolson Spice Company as traveling representative. When he resigned that position he went on the road for the Akron Belting Company, which he represented for about three years, covering six of the central states and later he was trust officer with the Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company of Toledo. With the organization of the United Supply Company he was made assistant secretary and treasurer and continued to act in that capacity until January 1, 1905, when he was appointed business director of the Toledo public schools and made a most splendid official in that connection. One of the local papers said of him: "When he took hold of the school affairs there was a woeful lack of system in the matter of making repairs on the various buildings, in the purchase of supplies and in the inspection of work done by contractors, but the very first year Mr. McKesson brought order out of chaos, and today there is as much system observed in all this work as there is in the management of any big factory or mercantile establishment in the city. Director McKesson was well fitted for the position by a long and varied training in commercial lines." An editorial published in the Toledo Blade, February 5, 1907, reads as follows: "Director McKesson of the public schools is said to combine the qualities of a financier with the knowledge of a builder, a mason and a plumber. Therefore, he is economical in expenditures and exacting in his demands on those who undertake to do business with the board of education. Efforts to slight work have been met with sturdy rebuffs until contractors have learned that they will save themselves a heap of trouble by closely following specifications. The members of the board who have been cognizant of Mr. McKesson's activities declare that he is saving the city many times his salary and that is certainly complimentary to him." He remained in his official connection with the school until April 1, 1916, when he became associated with the Haughton Elevator & Machine Company as vice president and treasurer. He is also a director of the Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company and president of the Peoples Savings Association.

On the 27th of January, 1904, Mr. McKesson was united in marriage to Miss Fannie L. Kapp, a daughter of George J. Kapp, a leading jewelry merchant of Toledo, in which city Mrs. McKesson was born, reared and educated. They attend the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church and Mr. McKesson is a Mason of high rank, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in the Consistory at Toledo, while he has also become a member of Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. His political endorsement is given to the republican party, where national questions and issues are involved, but at local elections he ofttimes casts an independent ballot. He was one of the organizers of the Fifty Associates Company and is a member of its proxy committee. In October, 1922, he was elected president of

the Elevator Manufacturers Association of the United States. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, to the Rotary Club, to the Inverness Club, the Sylvania Golf Club and the Overland Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and the Ohio Automobile Club. He is also connected with the Toledo Museum of Art and is interested in all those forces which make for the cultural advancement and material and moral upbuilding of the community. His activities have covered a wide scope and his spirit has ever been a most progressive one, leading to the accomplishment of many results valuable to Toledo. His residence is at No. 353 Winthrop street.

CLARENCE B. STEINEM

Clarence B. Steinem, a promising young lawyer of Toledo who made the supreme sacrifice during the World war, was born in this city December 31, 1890, a son of Joseph and Pauline Steinem, the former a prominent real estate dealer here. In the acquirement of his education the son passed through successive grades in the Toledo schools, completing the high school course, and, in 1907, at the early age of seventeen years, he entered the University of Michigan. There he devoted his attention to the study of law and was graduated in 1911 upon the completion of the full four years' course, being admitted to the Ohio bar in the same year, when but twenty-one years of age. From that time until 1917 he was engaged in the active practice of his profession in this city with the exception of the year 1913, when he passed several months in touring Europe, visiting France, Holland, Germany, Italy and Austria. He made substantial progress in the practice of his profession, preparing his cases with great thoroughness and care, and presenting his cause with clearness, force and strength.

In 1917 Mr. Steinem volunteered for military service in connection with the World war and was immediately assigned to the ordnance department at Washington, D. C., where he remained until his death. On the 1st of December, 1917, he returned on a furlough to Toledo, taking back with him to the capital city his bride, who was formerly Miss Sarah V. Freed, a teacher in the Fulton school, the marriage being celebrated on the 6th of December, 1917. At the beginning of October, 1918, Mr. Steinem suffered a fatal attack of influenza and succumbed after a very brief illness, his death occurring on the 9th of that month.

Mr. Steinem was a republican in his political views and always kept well informed on the questions and issues of the day. He attended the Jewish temple and high and honorable principles actuated him at all points in his career. Aside from his profession he was interested in the real estate business and he was making steady advancement as a realtor and as a lawyer when he entered the army. When death called him, the bar association prepared the following memorial: "Mr. Steinem had remarkable endowments both of mind and heart. Even as a little child he showed a quick intelligence and an exceptional memory. Before he was four years old he picked up the German language during a three months' stay in Germany. When five years of age, and before he had learned to read, he could name and locate all the states of the Union and could name all their capitals, as well as countries and capitals of Central and South America. He was equally enthusiastic in work and in recreation and brought to both a keen, adroit mentality and a well trained physique. Whether canoeing or exercising in the gymnasium, playing tennis or hand ball, bending over a chess table or a law book, he was

always energetic and proficient. His disposition was gentle, affectionate, cheerful and unselfish. He was devoted to his wife and kindred, cordial and true to his friends, loyal and patriotic to his country. As a lawyer he met the most exacting requirements in professional standards of ethics and learning. While we deeply deplore the sudden and untimely summons which he was called upon to answer, we are glad to keep with us the memory of his gifted mind and lovable nature.

"(Signed)

"CHARLES K. FRIEDMAN,
"FRANK H. GEER,
"B. W. JOHNSON,
Committee."

His commanding officer, Major John C. C. Williams, paid to him the following well merited tribute: "His devotion to duty and splendid soldierly spirit have made his loss in this hour of need of his country deeply lamented by us all. He died serving his country. May you find comfort and consolation in the knowledge that he did so splendidly make this sacrifice for the cause that means to all of us more than life itself."

CARL F. HILLEBRAND

One of the foremost representatives of mercantile interests in Toledo is Carl F. Hillebrand, who for over thirty years has been prominently connected with the furniture business in this city, and throughout the period he has maintained an unassailable reputation for integrity and reliability. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, March 29, 1869, a son of Bernard and Bernardina (Dirks) Hillebrand, both of whom were of European birth and came to the United States in 1840, crossing the Atlantic in one of the old-time sailing vessels. They settled in Cincinnati, Ohio, where the father followed the trade of cabinetmaking, which he had learned in his native land, and he afterward became superintendent of a large furniture factory in that city. There he continued to reside until his demise, which occurred in 1891. The mother passed away in 1918.

Carl F. Hillebrand, the youngest in a family of eight children, attended the public and parochial schools and afterward entered St. Joseph's College of Cincinnati, from which he was graduated in 1886, on the completion of an academic course. On starting out in the business world he secured a position as traveling salesman for a Cincinnati supply house, which he continued to represent until his twenty-first year, when he came to Toledo and purchased an interest in a furniture store, becoming a member of the Hillebrand & Foth Company in 1890. Later he took over Mr. Foth's interest in the undertaking and joined his brother in a partnership, the business having since been conducted under the firm style of Hillebrand Brothers. Starting with a capital of sixty dollars, Mr. Hillebrand has developed one of the largest furniture houses in the city and is deserving of great credit for what he has accomplished. He carries an extensive line of high class furniture, holds to the highest standards in the personnel of the house and conducts the establishment along the most modern and progressive lines. He is thoroughly conversant with the principles of merchandising and has succeeded in maintaining a high degree of efficiency in the operation of the business.

On the 14th of April, 1891, Mr. Hillebrand was united in marriage to Miss

Katherine Myer, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Myer, prominent residents of Toledo, and they have become the parents of four children: Linus Hillebrand, the eldest in the family, was born in 1896 and is a graduate of St. John's College. He married Miss Marie Ohlman of Toledo, and is now connected with Hillebrand Brothers; Mrs. Albert Rumpf acquired her education in the grammar and high schools of Toledo and since her marriage, which occurred in April, 1922, she has continued to make her home in this city; Omer Hillebrand was born in 1901 and his education was obtained in the parochial schools of Toledo and at St. John's College of Cincinnati; Mildred Hillebrand was born in 1902 and is a graduate of the Notre Dame Academy of this city.

The family are communicants of the Roman Catholic church and Mr. Hillebrand is a member of the Knights of Columbus, in which he has taken the third degree. He is also identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Kiwanis Club and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. His high standing in business circles is indicated in the fact that for two terms he was retained in the office of president of the Ohio Retail Furniture Dealers Association and for five terms he has served as president of the Toledo Association. Early in his career he realized that one must be willing to pay the price of success, which is gained only at the cost of earnest, self-denying effort, and he has steadily progressed until he now occupies a position of leadership in his chosen field of activity, while his labors have also contributed materially to the commercial development of the city.

BENJAMIN ABBOTT STEVENS

Throughout his career Benjamin Abbott Stevens so directed his efforts as to attain success in gratifying measure, yet the acquirement of wealth was never the sole end and aim of his life. On the contrary the subjective and objective forces in his career were well balanced and there was no man who more fully recognized the obligations and responsibilities that came with success than did he. As he prospered in his undertakings he was continually extending a helping hand to assist an individual, a benevolent organization or some philanthropy that he deemed particularly worthy of support. He was especially interested in the Humane Society and made it one of the large beneficiaries of his will. There is much of stimulating interest in his history to those who wish to be correctly informed concerning the qualities which are of real value in the world and which in every land and clime awaken confidence and respect.

Benjamin A. Stevens was born in Tiffin, Ohio, July 13, 1835, his parents being Guy and Lucy (Abbott) Stevens. His grandfather in the maternal line was David Abbott, who came to Ohio in 1798, a few years after his graduation from Yale. He located in Erie county and in 1802 was a member of the convention that framed the state constitution. He was very prominent in public affairs for many years and repeatedly served as a member of the two houses of the state legislature. Guy Stevens, the father of B. A. Stevens, was a large vessel owner in the early days and thus in both lines B. A. Stevens represented old and prominent families of Ohio. His father was owner of a general store and engaged in the grain trade and was numbered among the early settlers of the Buckeye state. When Benjamin A. Stevens was five years of age the family removed to Milan,

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Ohio, and there he completed his education in an academy. He was early employed in a sash, blind and door factory and about 1868 or 1869 he came to Toledo. During the Civil war period he had enlisted for active service with the Union army but had lost his fingers, whereby he was incapacitated for field duty. He was therefore placed in the commissary department and rendered aid to the government in that connection.

With his removal to Toledo, Mr. Stevens became identified with Hartwell Osborne and Henry Chase in the operation of a molding manufacturing plant, and five years later Mr. Stevens sold his interest to Mr. Swayne. Mr. Stevens then went on a vacation for a year and later he established the B. A. Stevens Company for the manufacture of refrigerators, billiard supplies and many other articles, having a large factory and warehouse. He was a man of great strength of purpose and energy and developed his business along most progressive lines. His output included billiard and store furniture and supplies and for a long time his was one of the largest enterprises in the country controlled by a single individual. He built up an excellent organization, carefully systematized the work in every department and by thorough and efficient management gained a most substantial measure of success. He was constantly making plans for the future and this characterized him even in his last illness. In addition to his manufacturing and commercial interests Mr. Stevens was long one of the directors of the Union Savings Bank and his name was ever an honored one on commercial paper.

On the 31st of December, 1873, in Chicago, Illinois, Mr. Stevens was united in marriage to Mrs. Emma F. (Gillingham) Squire, widow of William H. Squire. They had no children of their own but reared an adopted daughter, who is now Mrs. Ethel Strasburg of Cleveland. By her first marriage Mrs. Stevens had one son, George H. Squire, who later had his name changed to Stevens. He resides in Newark, New Jersey. The death of Mr. Stevens occurred May 4, 1905. He belonged to the Toledo Club and to the Middle Bass Club. Politically he was a republican. He never sought nor desired political preferment, however, but was an active worker in support of many organizations looking to the uplift and betterment of the individual. He was particularly interested in the Boys Home and did everything in his power to safeguard and direct the activities of boys that in their early life they might lay the foundation for a bright manhood. For a time he conducted a night school for boys, keeping this up until it was taken over by the board of education, which ultimately recognized the great worth of the institution. In many charitable movements he was a living, vital force. He served on the board of directors of the Boys Home and he was particularly helpful in his relation to the Humane Society. His broad charity and liberal support of any philanthropic plan was not only known to those with whom he was associated in the work but constituted an example which others followed. When he passed away the Union Savings Bank adopted the following memorial resolutions: "The Supreme Giver of life has removed from his sphere of activity and usefulness Benjamin Abbott Stevens, a man of integrity and charitable instincts, a useful and progressive citizen, who has been associated with the Union Savings Bank as a director for the past ten years. In his death the bank has lost a valuable officer, a true friend and congenial companion, but we realize that the greater loss is to his family. Be it resolved that as a mark of respect and esteem and in memory of his long association as a brother officer of the bank, this memorial be spread upon our records and a copy of same be sent to the family."

Mr. Stevens' good work did not end with his death, for according to the

provisions of his will he made generous bequests to various charitable institutions, amounting to about seventy-five thousand dollars, one-fourth of which was left to the Toledo Humane Society, of which he had long been a valued director, one-fourth to the Toledo Boys Home, one-fifth to the Toledo Hospital, one-fifth to the Old Ladies Home of Toledo and one-tenth to the Little Sisters of the Poor, with the stipulation that the interest of these sums only was to be used for the institutions, the principal to be wisely invested. His helpfulness thus continues and, moreover, the memory of Benjamin A. Stevens is enshrined in the hearts of all who knew him and continues as a blessed benediction to those with whom he was associated. His ideals of life found their root in the Christian faith and he ever endeavored to follow the teachings of Him who went about doing good.

WILLIAM HENRY TUCKER

Few men in the history of Toledo have served their city for so many consecutive years as William Henry Tucker, who filled the position of postmaster most acceptably through a period of sixteen years by appointment of President McKinley, in recognition of his services to the party, the appointment coming to him on the 11th of January, 1899. Mr. Tucker was a representative of one of the old families of northern Ohio and was born in Laporte, Lorain county, October 6, 1849, his parents being Dr. John A. and Elizabeth (Brush) Tucker. In both the paternal and maternal lines the ancestry can be traced back to colonial times and the names of many members of the Brush family are found on the rolls of the Revolutionary soldiers, also in connection with the early Indian and colonial wars and the War of 1812. The paternal grandfather of William Henry Tucker came to the new state of Ohio on the tide of emigration to the Western Reserve in 1817, while Mr. Tucker's grandfather in the maternal line removed his family to Lorain county, Ohio, in 1832.

In the public schools of Lorain and Huron counties William Henry Tucker pursued his education, attending school at Laporte and also at Plymouth, Huron county, to which place his parents had removed. His father was a prominent physician, engaged in active practice in Plymouth for many years, and there the son spent a goodly portion of his youth, taking up the profession of teaching after completing his own public school course. He devoted two years to that work and then resumed his studies, matriculating in the normal school at Milan, while later he attended both Yale and Cornell universities. He afterward took a full four years' course at the Baldwin University at Berea, Ohio, and in the year 1874 he came to Toledo, where he entered upon the study of law in the office of Haynes & Potter, well known attorneys, who directed his reading until his admission to the Ohio bar in 1876. Soon afterward he entered upon the active practice of his profession and formed a partnership with J. T. Greer, under the firm style of Greer & Tucker, in which connection he built up a very extensive practice. After an association of ten years this firm was dissolved and Mr. Tucker continued to practice alone, making a specialty of real estate and probate business. He continued in active practice until he assumed the duties of postmaster in January, 1899. During all of his residence in Toledo he took an active interest in those movements looking to the advancement, growth and improvement of the city. He became one of the best known republican leaders in northwestern Ohio and rendered valuable service

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to his party. During several different campaigns he was chairman of various committees, principally the congressional and county, also the common pleas, judicial, executive and city committees. He represented his county and district in state and national conventions and in many ways contributed to the successes won by the party. He served as a member of the school board from 1894 until 1898 and the cause of education ever found in him a stalwart champion. The Toledo post office in its present highly organized and efficient form is largely a monument to the efforts of Mr. Tucker. It was during his administration that the post office building was erected, while many important reforms, changes and improvements were made in the postal system. He proved himself equal to the task of administering the affairs of the post office in all of its phases and details and his record was highly satisfactory to the general public.

After retiring from the post office on the 15th of May, 1915, Mr. Tucker again established himself in law practice at No. 310 Main street in Toledo, where he had offices at the time of his death, which occurred at Kissimmee, Florida, January 12, 1921.

It was on the 10th of April, 1884, that Mr. Tucker was married to Miss Harriet Van Gorder of Toledo, Ohio, daughter of George W. Van Gorder, and they became the parents of six children, as follows: Helen, who completed her education at Oberlin, is now the wife of Morrison R. Van Cleve, professor of natural history in the Toledo schools, and their three children are, Harriet, Florence and Ruth; Clara May, who also attended Oberlin College, married William E. Wright, associate manager of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company and a member of the board of education in Toledo. During the World war he was in charge of Y. M. C. A. work in France and was awarded the Croix de Guerre by the French government. To him and his wife were born two children, Jane May and William Tucker Wright; Dr. John Poag Tucker, the third of the family, graduated from Oberlin College and the Western Reserve Medical College at Cleveland, and is a representative of the medical profession in that city and a member of the Cleveland Clinic. He married Grace Lloyd of Cleveland; George Ewing Tucker was graduated from Oberlin College and is engaged in the real estate business, with office at 310 Main street in Toledo. He married Alta Kelley Rousch; William Henry, Jr., who was graduated from Toledo University, is an attorney and director and secretary of the Ohio Savings Association, vice president of the Toledo Title Company and also a councilman from the nineteenth ward. He married Ella Chamberlin and has one son, William Henry (III); and Robert Brush Tucker attended Ohio State University and is now a student at the Western Reserve Medical College at Cleveland. During the World war Dr. John P. Tucker attended the training school at Chattanooga and served as first lieutenant in the Medical Corps at Camp Mills, having charge of the Base Hospital there. George enlisted in the navy from New York and was on the Covington when it was torpedoed. He made twelve trips across the ocean and later served for eleven months at Brest, where he was in service escorting incoming ocean liners. William H. Tucker, Jr., enlisted for service and was sent to the government nitrate plant, where he did important work. Robert was in the army training school for six months and was transferred to Toledo, where he was stationed when the armistice was signed, so that the four sons of the family did their full duty in relation to the great war waged for world democracy.

Mr. Tucker was prominent in fraternal circles. In Masonry he attained the Knights Templar degree, affiliating with Eu-Tah Commandery, and he was also

a member of the Knights of Pythias. He likewise held membership in the Toledo Maennerchor and in the Teutonia Maennerchor. He was president of the East Side Improvement Association, president and founder of the East Side Commercial Club and secretary of the Ohio Savings Association. He supported all plans and measures for the upbuilding of the east side of the city. He was likewise the president of the William McKinley Club, was president of the Toledo Settlement Association, president of the Toledo Philharmonic Association, president of the board of trustees of the Euclid Avenue Methodist Episcopal church, a member of the board of trustees of Baldwin-Wallace College at Berea, Ohio, and also president of the Peoples State Savings Bank. Mr. Tucker was one of the prime factors in the successful litigation that resulted in the establishing of Toledo University and in the subsequent affairs of this institution he took a leading part, serving as president of the board of trustees for several years. In these connections are shown the great breadth and value of his interests and that his splendid executive and administrative ability was constantly sought to aid matters of public concern and of vital importance to the community.

DELL A. HELPMAN

As president of the National Union Assurance Society Dell A. Helpman is well known to the citizens of Toledo, where the headquarters of the association are located, and he has also gained national prominence, as the organization of which he is the head draws its members from all sections of the United States. Mr. Helpman was born in Liberty Center, Ohio, March 3, 1868, and his parents, Perry E. and Julia A. (Parrish) Helpman, are also natives of the Buckeye state. The father is now residing at Defiance, Ohio. He was for many years a well known stationary engineer, actively identified with that profession. Mr. and Mrs. Helpman became the parents of two children: William, who is living in Defiance; and Dell A.

Dell A. Helpman acquired his education in the grammar schools and the high school at Defiance, Ohio, and his first experience in the business world was obtained in the plant of the Turnbull Wagon Company. He remained in the employ of that firm for twelve years and during that period worked his way steadily upward from a position of minor importance to that of superintendent of machinery. After severing his relations with the company he joined the National Union Assurance Society as representative of the field department and his excellent work in that connection led to his promotion to the position of superintendent of the field service. Later he was made vice president of the society and in 1906 he was honored with the presidency, in which capacity he has since served. The fact that he has been chosen to fill this responsible office is proof of the confidence reposed in his ability—a trust that has been amply justified, for his natural qualifications and broad experience enable him to discharge the duties which devolve upon him in a most capable and efficient manner. Mr. Helpman was one of the members of the building committee which had charge of the erection of the national home of the organization.

At Defiance, Ohio, on the 5th of July, 1894, Mr. Helpman was united in marriage to Miss Ettie Meek, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Meek. Mr. and Mrs. Helpman are members of the Methodist Episcopal church and his political

allegiance is given to the republican party. He is a member of the Toledo Club and the Rotary Club and in Masonry he has attained high standing, belonging to the commandery, while in the consistory he has taken the thirty-second degree. He has never been content with mediocrity and has ever worked toward the attainment of high ideals. His advancement has been won through industry and ability and under his able leadership the interests of the organization which he represents have been greatly furthered and its influence and activities have been strengthened and broadened.

GEORGE WILLIAM INGERSOLL

George William Ingersoll, conducting business at Toledo under the name of the Ingersoll Foundry Company, was born in this city on the 8th of April, 1877, and is a son of Daniel and Georgianna (Beard) Ingersoll. The father engaged in the furniture and upholstering business.

The son was educated in the public schools and early became a newsboy, thus starting out as has many a man who in later life has achieved substantial success. At all points in his career he has been actuated by a laudable ambition that has urged him steadily forward and caused him to make the wisest possible use of his time and opportunities. When his textbooks were put aside he learned the moulder's trade in a foundry and this constituted the practice ground in which he qualified for later business activity. In 1896 he secured a position in a railroad freight office and thus worked until 1898, when in response to the military call of his country he enlisted for service in the Spanish-American war, becoming a private in company H of the Sixteenth Infantry under Captain Howard, while later he was with the Sixth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. When his term of military service was over he again returned to railroad work, securing employment in a railroad office in Cleveland. In February, 1900, he joined the United States navy, with which he remained for four years, becoming acting chief petty officer.

On the expiration of that period Mr. Ingersoll returned to Toledo and thereafter was associated with the American Foundry Company as an employe until 1910, when he purchased the business, which he now conducts under the name of the Ingersoll Foundry Company. He has a well equipped plant, supplied with modern machinery, and is doing most effective work, so that his business is steadily growing and his enterprise has become a profitable investment. Aside from business connections Mr. Ingersoll is well known as a representative member of the Kiwanis Club and he also belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and to the Transportation Club.

CHARLES ALFRED WATTS

Charles Alfred Watts, a Toledo contractor who has done important work, having been accorded some of the most extensive contracts in this section of the country, was born in Haskins, Ohio, August 8, 1878, and is a son of John George and Ellen (Hoagland) Watts. The father, who for many years engaged in the contracting business, is now deceased. The son obtained a public school education

in his native city and when his textbooks were put aside received comprehensive training along the line of his chosen trade under the direction of his father, with whom he was associated in important building operations for a number of years. In this way he gained an intimate knowledge of every phase of the business and of the scientific principles which underlie his work and eventually he started out independently. From the beginning success has attended his labors and something of what he has achieved is indicated in the fact that he was awarded the contract for the erection of the Ford Glass Company houses at Rossford, Ohio, the Rossford clubhouse and bank building at Rossford, the high school building at Haskins, Ohio, the Ford silica plant near Monroe, Michigan, and various other important structures, including a number of schools and churches. On the 1st of October, 1920, the business was incorporated under the name of the Watts & Suhrbier Company, contractors of Toledo, with Mr. Watts as president and treasurer. He is thus the directing executive head of the business and his own broad experience in all of the practical phases of the work now enables him wisely, carefully and successfully to direct the efforts of the many employes who serve him. He has likewise become a director of the Farmers Savings Bank at Haskins, Ohio.

On the 31st of August, 1899, Mr. Watts was married to Miss Kittie E. De Muth of Waterville, Ohio, and they have two children, Marguerite E. and Milton L. Mr. Watts has for a number of years been a representative of Masonry and a faithful follower of the teachings and purposes of the craft. He has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in the consistory and is also a member of the Mystic Shrine. He likewise belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and his association with the Maumee River Yacht Club indicates much concerning the nature of his recreation.

ANTON BUESCHEN

Well known in Toledo is Anton Bueschen, who is now living a retired life because of the success which he has achieved through his efforts in former years. For a considerable period he conducted an extensive wholesale and retail coal and coke business, and at different periods has been active in connection with building operations in Toledo, having erected a number of fine residences and apartments here. He has also been largely interested in dairy farming and all through the period in which he has carefully, wisely and profitably managed his private business affairs he has also extended a helping hand to many who have needed assistance and he is noted for his liberality and generosity. Mr. Bueschen was born in Germany, January 4, 1854, and is a son of Anton and Marie Bueschen. The first seventeen years of his life were spent in his native country and then in 1871 he came to America, settling in Toledo, where he entered the employ of Charles Mallard. He later was for eight years a coachman in the employ of L. S. Baumgardner, the Birckhead family and other prominent Toledo families. While thus employed he carefully saved his money until he felt that his experience and his capital justified him in engaging in the draying business. He afterward turned his attention to the sale of shavings, kindling and gas house coke and eventually he established a coal business and purchased railroad property which has since greatly enhanced in value. In fact, it is many times its former price and became an important asset in his financial resources. Continuing in the coal trade, he developed his business into

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one of the large enterprises of this character in Toledo, of which he was sole owner until he recently was succeeded by his son, Frederick A. Bueschen. In the meantime he erected several fine apartment houses, including the Bueschen and Mary apartments on Floyd street, the latter apartment building being erected on the site of a large unsightly frame livery barn which Mr. Bueschen purchased and tore down. He has also erected several of the attractive residences of the city. He has long been interested in agricultural pursuits and in England would be classed as a "gentleman farmer." He is the owner of a large dairy farm in Iosco county, Michigan, comprising nine hundred and twenty acres. It is a model of its kind by reason of its splendid buildings and equipments and its fine herd of Holstein dairy cows. He derives great enjoyment from managing and directing this business and is numbered among the foremost agriculturists of that section of Michigan.

On the 10th of April, 1881, Mr. Bueschen was united in marriage to Miss Barbara Meyer of Stony Ridge, Ohio. They have become parents of four children: William M., born in Toledo and educated here in the public schools, is married and resides in this city, and they have one child, Helen; John L. Bueschen, the second of the family, was born, educated and married in Toledo and has two children, Dale and Bernardine; Fred is likewise married and resides in Toledo and his family numbers two sons, Robert and John; Mrs. Mary Hias, the youngest of the family, is also a resident of Toledo and has one child, Frederick Hias.

As the years have passed success in large measure has crowned the efforts of Anton Bueschen and since his retirement he has utilized the fruits of his former toil to not a little degree in travel. He has made many extended trips, and while he believes in the axiom "See America First" and has visited many points of interest throughout this country, he has also made an extended trip through Europe. He spends the winter months in Florida, Cuba or California, his wife and daughter accompanying him on one of his trips to California. Mr. Bueschen is an excellent sportsman, enjoying fishing and various outdoor sports, finding delight in tramping through the woods and following the streams at the proper season. He has long been recognized as a man of most generous spirit, giving liberally to charity and benevolent purposes, and one of his most practical forms of assistance to others is in the money loans he has made to small farmers in the vicinity of his large farm property in Michigan. He has long since turned his business enterprises in Toledo over to his sons, so that he now practically lives retired, following where his fancy takes him and enjoying life to the full. His record should serve as a source of inspiration and encouragement to others, showing what can be accomplished through individual effort guided by intelligence and sound judgment. He worked persistently and energetically for many years to gain a start and then to further develop the business in which he finally engaged and in the course of years won a place among the foremost coal merchants of Toledo.

A. CLAUDE STEVENSON

The Toledo bar lost a highly respected and capable representative when A. Claude Stevenson was called to his final rest in 1918. He was born at Gibsonburg, Ohio, on the 25th of March, 1874. His early education was gleaned from the public schools of Fremont and of Fostoria, Ohio, and following the completion of a high school course in the latter city he entered Oberlin College, receiving from that

institution the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1898. In the meantime he had determined upon the practice of law as a life work. He was constantly reaching out along broadening lines of activity and usefulness and to this end he entered the law department of the Ohio State University in the fall of 1898. He creditably completed his law course with the class of 1900 and immediately thereafter was admitted to the practice of law in Ohio.

On the 20th of April, 1915, Mr. Stevenson was married to Miss Edna Robinson of Toledo, daughter of Oscar C. and Millie E. (Brown) Robinson, and granddaughter of Stephen Grant Robinson of Wood county, Ohio, who was an own cousin of Ulysses S. Grant. Oscar C. Robinson is a prominent contractor.

Mr. Stevenson's professional life was spent in Toledo and from the outset of his career he made steady progress at the bar, giving evidence of his comprehensive knowledge of the principles of jurisprudence and ability to apply these principles to the points in litigation. He was active in the affairs of the Toledo Commerce Club and the Barton Smith Lodge, No. 613, F. & A. M. He further advanced in the Masonic order and became a member of the Grotto. To the members of the bar who knew Mr. Stevenson intimately he displayed qualities of heart and mind with which his casual acquaintances were not familiar. Always honorable and straightforward in his professional and business dealings, he was deeply respected by those best qualified to appraise his value. On the 4th of February, 1918, his none too vigorous constitution succumbed to the ravages of pneumonia and the following resolution was passed by the bar association: "Be it resolved by the bar of Lucas county that in the death of A. C. Stevenson the bar of this county has lost one of its most respected members, his associates a most valued friend, and the community a patriotic and upright citizen." He had ever been most loyal to any public duty that devolved upon him and he served as an officer of the board of elections. His political endorsement was given to the republican party and he found interest in studying the science of government and in solving the intricate and involved political problems before the country. His religious faith was indicated by his membership in the First Congregational church and his life was guided by its principles, making him a man whom to know was to respect and honor.

GEORGE JOHN SEISS

George John Seiss, founder, president and general manager of The Seiss Manufacturing Company, is one of Toledo's well known and successful manufacturers. Mr. Seiss was born in this city July 25, 1876, the eldest son of his parents, Jacob and Ernstina (Vogel) Seiss, both of whom were natives of Germany. The father was a soldier of the Civil war as a member of the Fourteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, serving under General Steedman, and was of middle age at the time of his death in 1887. The mother was but a child of three years when her parents brought her to America. She survived her husband a number of years and her death occurred in Toledo.

George J. Seiss was born on Hamilton street, in which section of the city he was reared. In those days Swan creek was a beautiful, clear stream and afforded excellent close at hand fishing and swimming for the boys in that neighborhood. His father died when George Seiss was eleven years old, and being the eldest boy in the family, he thus early in life became a help to his widowed mother, partly

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from necessity and partly from his energetic and industrious nature. While his school days were over when he reached his fourteenth year, he had been employed in various ways during vacation periods at such work as a boy of his age could perform. He carried milk before and after school hours, as was then the method of delivering that commodity to customers; he worked for Hoffman, the candy maker, at three dollars per week, and being a robust, willing and dependable youngster not afraid of work, he readily found employment. From boyhood he was much interested in machinery and took great delight in watching its operation, which fact no doubt influenced him to take up the trade of a machinist and toolmaker. He was fourteen years old when he began that trade in the Lozier and Yost plant, where the old Cleveland bicycle was then being manufactured. Mr. Seiss continued there until the summer of 1893, when for a few months he was employed at his trade in Marshall, Michigan. Right here it might be stated that this was the only time in his life that he ever worked outside of Toledo. Mr. Seiss remained in the employ of others until 1903 and during that time he was for several years filling an important position with the De Vilbiss Manufacturing Company. It was in 1903 that he started in business for himself, beginning the manufacture of various specialties and novelties. As time passed on he concentrated his efforts and attention more and more largely upon automobile specialties. In 1908 the business was incorporated under the laws of Ohio as The Seiss Manufacturing Company, consisting of George J. Seiss and his four brothers—Fred H., Leonard A., Ernest E. and August J., all of whom have since been in the business with the exception of Fred H., whose death occurred November 6, 1918, during the influenza epidemic. George J. Seiss has been the active and executive head of the business ever since it was started and at this time the other officials of the company are: Leonard A. Seiss, vice president; and August J. Seiss, secretary and treasurer. The growth and development of The Seiss Manufacturing Company has been remarkable and not only reflects great credit upon its management but attests the superior quality of its products, which consist of horns for bicycles, motorcycles, automobiles, trucks, motor boats, juvenile vehicles, railway speed cars and gasoline locomotives; oil and electric lamps for bicycles and the improved Seiss rooter. These articles are sold all over the world and the superb plant on Alexis street in which they are manufactured is one of the best kept and most desirably located of Toledo's industrial institutions. As the active head of the company George J. Seiss has held to a definite ideal. He has worked toward a fixed goal of accomplishment. All during the growth of the company he has not lessened his interest in the most minute detail, dealing with the relation between the company and the public. Any improvement or new model which he has thought would be a further service of The Seiss Manufacturing Company to the public he had added. That the public has appreciated the policy of the company as fathered by Mr. Seiss is evidenced by the success of the firm today.

On the 4th of March, 1908, Mr. Seiss was married to Miss Emma Adams of Toledo, a daughter of Theodore and Mary Adams. Two daughters have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Seiss: Ruth, whose death occurred October 1, 1916, when she was three years old; and Jeanneatte, born June 6, 1916. Mr. and Mrs. Seiss are members of the Lutheran church and fraternally he is well known, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in Masonry, while with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine he has crossed the sands of the desert. Mr. Seiss is a member of the Commerce Club and is now serving on the manufacturers' and wholesalers' division of that organization. Mr. Seiss has been successful and en-

tirely from his own efforts. He has always been a hard worker, conscientious and painstaking—characteristics that marked his discharge of duties when a boy and have suffered no diminution in the man. His activities have exerted a most helpful influence in Toledo's industrial prosperity. Mr. Seiss resides at No. 1064 Lincoln avenue.

HORATIO C. SCANNELL

Horatio C. Scannell, who has attained a high measure of efficiency in electrical engineering and is now president of the Scannell Electrical Construction Company, was born in Toledo, February 5, 1885, and is a son of Patrick and Margaret (Whelan) Scannell, the former devoting his life to the printing business.

Advancing step by step along educational lines, Horatio C. Scannell completed the work of the grades and of the high school at Toledo and then, putting aside his textbooks, attempted the mastery of the more difficult lessons to be learned in the school of experience. He turned to the electrical business, thoroughly acquainting himself with the trade and constantly broadening his knowledge through his work and study. In 1916 he organized the Scannell Electrical Construction Company, of which he is the president, and from the beginning his patronage has steadily increased in volume and importance. He has executed many important contracts, doing work for the government at Camp Perry, also at the Garford motor truck plant at Lima, Ohio, at the Bunting brass plant, at the plant of the Haughton Elevator Company and also of the Toledo Steel Products Company. His broad experience has brought him to a high degree of skill and efficiency in his chosen line and the work to which he has been called has many times been of a most important character. He now has high standing among the electrical workers of Ohio and his broad experience and wide knowledge enable him to speak with authority upon many problems related to electrical engineering.

On the 22d of April, 1908, Mr. Scannell was united in marriage to Miss Lula Flury of Toledo and they have become parents of two sons, Russell Philip and Robert Francis. Mr. Scannell belongs to the Kiwanis Club and the Chamber of Commerce, also to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and to the Knights of Pythias. His activities and interests outside of business indicate his desire for the public good and his cooperation can at all times be counted upon to further those well organized projects which are looking to the benefit and upbuilding of the city and state.

ROBERT F. NACHTRIEB

Men of efficiency and high character are the type of workers the business, industrial and professional worlds of today are eagerly seeking and each individual ascends the ladder of fortune to that height which his own ability and energy enable him to reach. Robert F. Nachtrieb, local treasurer of the National Malleable Castings Company of Toledo, is the possessor of those qualities through which success comes as a natural sequence, and although still a young man he occupies a position of large responsibility, the duties of which he is capably discharging. He

was born in Wauseon, Ohio, February 26, 1889, and his parents were Christian J. and Mary Josephine (Jenney) Nachtrieb, the former a native of Wurtemburg, Germany, and the latter of Port Clinton, Ohio. When but two years of age the father was brought to the United States by his parents, who settled in Ohio, and after reaching mature years he engaged in the drug business at Wauseon, where he successfully conducted his interests until 1901, when he came to Toledo, and is now living retired in this city. The mother's demise occurred in 1920, when she had reached the age of sixty-three years. In their family were three children: Robert F.; Clarence R., a resident of Dallas, Texas; and Mrs. Ray Archbold of Decatur, Indiana.

Robert F. Nachtrieb began his education in the grammar schools of Wauseon, Ohio, which he attended to the age of twelve years, and in 1906 he was graduated from the Central high school of Toledo. He then entered the employ of the National Malleable Castings Company, starting in a humble capacity and winning advancement to more important positions as he had opportunity to demonstrate his trustworthiness and capability, until he was at length made local treasurer of the company, which office he has since filled. He subordinates all other interests to the demands of the business, to which he gives his best efforts, and his cooperation is regarded as a valuable asset in furthering the success of the concern, which ranks with the large manufacturing industries of the city.

Mr. Nachtrieb enlisted for service in the World war, joining the Eighty-third Division, and was commissioned battalion sergeant major. He was later transferred to the Three Hundred and Thirtieth Regular Infantry and for eight months was on duty overseas, receiving his discharge at Camp Sherman, Ohio. He then returned to his former position in the Cleveland office of the National Malleable Castings Company, but at the end of a month returned to Toledo as local treasurer. He is a member of the Congregational church and gives his political allegiance to the republican party. He is identified with the Chamber of Commerce, loyally supporting all those measures and projects which are formulated for the development and upbuilding of the city, and is also a member of the Lions Club and the Sons of the American Revolution. Fidelity to duty is one of his outstanding characteristics and he is recognized as a young man of resolute purpose and marked strength of character, whose success represents the fit utilization of his innate powers and talents.

ROBERT CENTENNIAL CORNELIUS

Robert Centennial Cornelius, president and general manager of the United States Mop Company, was born in Helena, Ohio, February 1, 1876, his parents being George Peter and Jane Elizabeth (Skinner) Cornelius. The father was a carriage builder and throughout much of his life Robert C. Cornelius has been identified with business of that character and more latterly the automobile trade. He was educated in the public schools and in the early years of his business experience was associated with his father, gaining wide knowledge of the carriage industry. He then went on the road as a traveling salesman for a vehicle manufacturer and afterward became a distributor of automobiles in connection with the Cornelius Auto Sales Company of Toledo. In this business he continued from 1910 until 1918 and in the latter year he purchased the United States Mop Company, incor-

porated for eighty thousand dollars. He has since been president and general manager of this concern, which occupies two floors of a building fifty by one hundred and fifty feet, having fifteen thousand square feet of floor space. There are now fifty employes and the business is one of substantial character, growing steadily under the capable management and control of Mr. Cornelius, whose labors are directly successful in the development of the trade.

On the 6th of December, 1893, Mr. Cornelius was united in marriage to Miss Wealthy L. Wright of Liberty Center, Ohio, and they have become parents of one daughter, Clarice Jewel, born in July, 1912. Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius are members of the Christian Science church, in which he is serving as an usher. In Masonry he has made far advance, attaining the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in the consistory, and he is also a member of the Mystic Shrine. He likewise belongs to the Knights of Pythias and to the Chamber of Commerce and he is zealous and loyal in his support of all the organizations with which he is identified. His life has been characterized by a steady advancement, leading to success in business and establishing him as a substantial citizen of Toledo who is a stanch advocate of all those forces which make for civic virtue and for civic pride. His home is at No. 2612 Scottwood avenue.

CHARLES W. RYAN

Charles W. Ryan, possessing those substantial qualities which rear the superstructure of success upon the sure foundations of thoroughness, integrity and progressiveness, was well known as the president of the Arbuckle-Ryan Company and passed away in Toledo on the 13th of February, 1912. He was born in Erie, Pennsylvania, October 7, 1847, his parents being John W. and Eliza (Dodge) Ryan. He was indebted to the public school system for the early educational advantages which he enjoyed and later he continued his studies in the Erie Academy. He resided at Erie to the age of twenty-four years and then came to Toledo, where he entered the business circles of the city by at once forming a partnership with John M. Arbuckle, under the name of Arbuckle & Ryan, for the conduct of a hardware trade. Later J. William Ryan became a partner and the firm name became Arbuckle, Ryan & Company. During these years the business was attended with increasing success and finally the firm extended the scope of its activities to include heavy hardware and machinery, since which time the house has dealt exclusively along those lines. The business was wisely and carefully managed by the directing partners and year by year increased in volume and importance. In 1896, following the death of Mr. Arbuckle, the company was reorganized and incorporated as the Arbuckle-Ryan Company, with Mr. Ryan as the president and treasurer, and he was active head of the concern to the time of his own demise, having long occupied an enviable and honorable position in the commercial circles of the city.

In the year 1884 Mr. Ryan was united in marriage to Miss Emma L. Ford, who passed away three years later, leaving a son, J. Harold, who is now president and treasurer of the Arbuckle-Ryan Company. In 1902 Mr. Ryan wedded Mrs. Laura F. Niles, a sister of his first wife. Their two daughters are: Marjorie Niles, who is the wife of Starr Gardiner Cooper, a member of the faculty of Peddie Institute at Hightstown, New Jersey; and Elizabeth, now attending Smith College.

CHARLES W. RYAN

The parents of Mrs. Ryan, Deming E. and Maria (Treat) Ford, are mentioned elsewhere in this publication.

Charles W. Ryan was one of the factors who contributed to the commercial development of Toledo and he was always an indefatigable worker, his firm becoming one of the most important among the mercantile concerns of the city, its sales extending to all parts of the country. In politics Mr. Ryan was always a stanch republican and he ever maintained a seat in the First Congregational church, giving his aid and influence to all those forces which he deemed of benefit and value to the community and to the commonwealth. He was a member of the Board of Commerce and through cooperation therewith aided in upholding high civic as well as business standards in Toledo. He always adhered to advanced ideals of life for the individual and was a consistent supporter of those interests which add to the sweetness and joy of life. He was particularly a lover of home and was always seen at his best at his own fireside.

WALTER H. JEFFERY

Walter H. Jeffery, president of the Eastern Torpedo of Ohio Company, is one of the well known men in the oil well supply trade of the country. For more than thirty-two years he has been closely connected with that line of commercial activity.

Mr. Jeffery was born in this city, June 7, 1874, a son of Thomas and Annie S. (Bartley) Jeffery, both of whom were natives of England. Shortly after their marriage they came to the United States, settling in Toledo, where the father engaged in merchandising, and during his later years he devoted his attention to the wholesale cigar business. He was one of the well known business men of the city and his death occurred in 1905.

Walter H. Jeffery acquired his education in the public schools of this city and when sixteen years of age he laid aside his textbooks to enter the business world, securing a position with the Buckeye Supply Company, which later was merged with the National Supply Company. He started in as clerk and during the twenty-eight years of his connection with the company was promoted from one position to another of greater importance as he demonstrated his capability, until he was at length made sales manager. Prompted by laudable ambition, he decided to embark in business independently and organized the United States Malleable Iron Company of Toledo, of which he is a director, and this has become one of the large manufacturing industries in the city, maintaining extensive plants in Toledo and at Wauseon, Ohio, and giving employment to over four hundred persons. In 1919 he formed the Eastern Torpedo of Ohio Company and has since been its president. They manufacture nitro-glycerin and conduct a well-shooting business in the oil fields of Kentucky, Oklahoma and Texas. For the past three years Mr. Jeffery has devoted part of his time to the development of patented devices used in the oil industry and he recently organized the Deepwell Engineering Company to manufacture and distribute this equipment. He is secretary-treasurer of this company. He is the author of a volume entitled, "Deep Well Drilling," which is the outcome of years of wide research, intelligent observation and analytical study. It covers the subject in a most thorough and comprehensive manner and has not only enjoyed a wide sale, but has become an authority on its topics.

Mr. Jeffery is also a director of the Norwalk Drilling Tool Company, the

Titan Oil & Gas Company, the Summit-Cherry Building Company and the firm of W. H. Jeffery & Company, brokers, while he likewise is president of the Toledo Standard Commutator Company. His rapidly expanding powers have brought him from a humble position to the field of large enterprises and constantly widening opportunities and his efforts are resultant forces in whatever he undertakes.

On the 3d of November, 1897, Mr. Jeffery was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude Bateman, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson T. Bateman of this city, and they have become the parents of a daughter, Helen, who is a graduate of the Toledo public schools and also of the National Park Seminary at Washington, D. C. The family are members of the First Congregational church of Toledo and Mr. Jeffery is serving as one of its trustees. He is a member of the Toledo Commerce Club, the Toledo Club, the Rotary Club and the Inverness Club and in Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree. The personality and career of Mr. Jeffery present a fascinating study to the analyst of character. He is a man of unusual mental versatility, resourcefulness and skill as an organizer, with a capacity for the solution of difficult problems. His varied interests cover a wide scope and he has made his life count, for his contribution to the world's work is of value and importance.

Mr. Jeffery's residence is at No. 625 Stratford place.

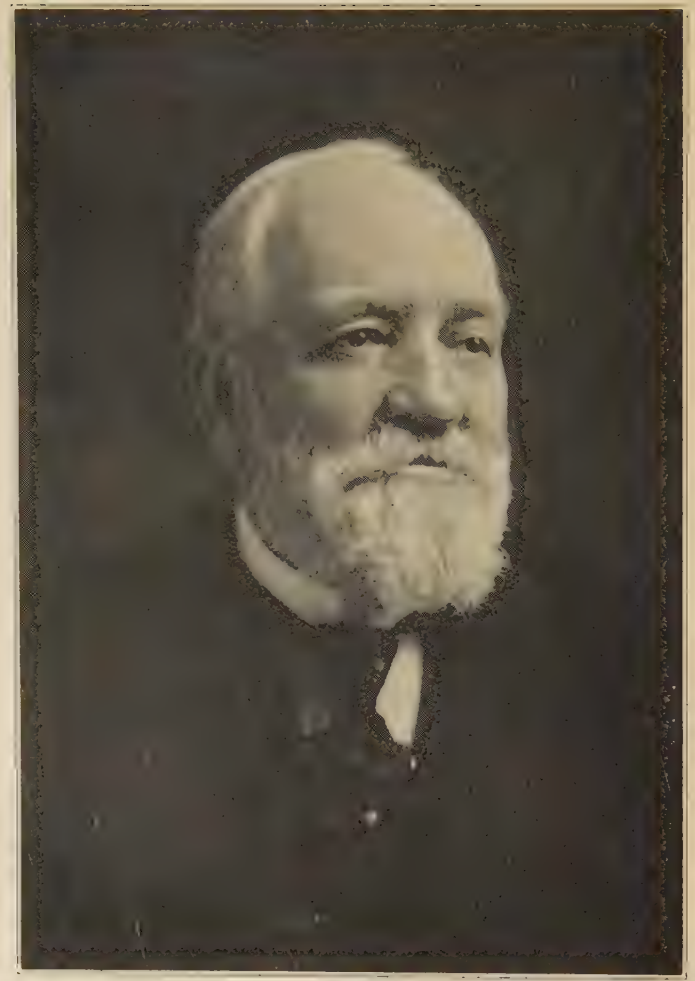
DEMING E. FORD

Deming E. Ford was one of the pioneers of Lucas county and after a long and active life passed away here on the 21st of October, 1922, at the venerable age of ninety-two years. He was born in Canandaigua, New York, on the 19th of October, 1830, and was a son of Daniel Bradley and Elizabeth (Hoisington) Ford. In the paternal line he represented one of the old New England families. His father's parents had been residents of New Hampshire for generations, while the Hoisingtons were early settlers of Vermont.

After coming to Toledo with his parents in 1852, Deming E. Ford settled on a farm purchased by his father on the Bay Shore road—a property that is still in possession of the family. It is known as "The Willows" and is the summer home of the Ford and Ryan families. The tract when it came into possession of Daniel B. Ford was an unbroken forest and upon him and his family devolved the arduous task of clearing away the timber and converting the land into productive fields. Two years after their coming, or in 1854, cholera swept over this part of the country and both the father and mother of Deming E. Ford passed away.

Thus Deming E. Ford in his early twenties was left to care for his younger brothers and sisters, who were: Joseph D., later prosecuting attorney of Lucas county and a leader of the Toledo bar; Hyatt, who was a captain during the Civil war and was killed in the battle of Winchester, Ford Post, G. A. R., being named in his honor; and Mary and Augusta, the first and second wives, respectively, of Captain Henry J. Crane, prominent in civic affairs in Toledo and for many years president of the board of education.

Deming E. Ford was the last survivor of his father's family. On the 12th of November, 1857, Mr. Ford was united in marriage to Miss Maria Treat, who was born in Toledo in 1836, at which time the city had a population of but one hundred inhabitants. She is a descendant of an old Connecticut family, tracing



MR. AND MRS. DEMING E. FORD

her ancestry back to Robert Treat, one of the early colonial governors of Connecticut. Her father, George D. Treat, came from Litchfield, Connecticut, in 1830, and settled on what is now the east side of Toledo, near the present Consaul street.

Following their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Ford resided on the Bay Shore road, where he successfully engaged in farming until his retirement several years ago. In later years he and his wife spent the winter season in Toledo with their two daughters, Mrs. Charles W. Ryan and Miss Louise Ford. The period of their married life covered nearly sixty-five years and both were blessed with exceptionally good health, being physically and mentally alert and active. Mrs. Ford survives her husband, as do their two daughters. He was a substantial and representative farmer and business man of the community and both he and his wife ever commanded the high regard and respect of all with whom they came into contact.

CHARLES WILLIAM MOOTS, M. D.

Honor and high position have come to Dr. Charles William Moots by reason of what he has accomplished in the intricate field of surgery, nor have his efforts been confined alone to professional activity, as he has been an earnest worker in advancing many causes which have been instituted for the benefit of public improvement and public welfare. He has at all times recognized and met his duties and obligations to his fellowmen and throughout his life has maintained a keen interest and broad vision concerning vital public questions.

Charles William Moots was born in Bellefontaine, Ohio, June 26, 1869, his parents being Conrad and Eleanor (Strayer) Moots. His father, who was a native of Pennsylvania, devoted his life to the occupation of farming and for many years carried on agricultural pursuits in the vicinity of Bellefontaine. Dr. Moots pursued his preliminary education in the public schools, attending the DeGraff high school, and later became a student at the Ohio Northern University, which he attended in 1890 and 1891. In the fall of 1892 he entered the medical department of the University of Cincinnati and on the completion of a three years' course won his M. D. degree as a member of the class of 1895. He entered upon active practice in a small city in northwestern Ohio, and zealous to make his professional service of the greatest benefit to his fellowmen, he pursued various postgraduate courses in several of the larger clinics of the country. Thus thoroughly equipped for practice, he opened an office in Toledo in 1905 and through the intervening period has confined his attention to the practice of gynecology and abdominal surgery. It was also in 1905 that the Ohio Northern University conferred upon him the honorary degree of Bachelor of Science. He has made for himself a most creditable reputation in the educational field, as well as through his practice, having been professor of anatomy and clinical surgery in the Toledo Medical College from 1908 until 1914, with the exception of one year when he was pursuing postgraduate work in the University of Vienna.

When America entered the World war Dr. Moots organized and was director of the United States Naval Hospital Unit, No. 7, and was surgeon-in-chief of the hospital ship Mercy throughout the war, serving with the rank of lieutenant commander, while later he was promoted to the rank of commander in the United States Naval Reserve Force. His entire career has been marked by steady advance-

ment, resulting from broad study, scientific research and thorough investigation. In 1912 he was elected to the presidency of the Academy of Medicine and he holds membership also in the Ohio State Medical Association, the American Medical Association and the American Association of Gynecologists and Obstetricians. He is also a fellow of the American College of Surgeons and he avails himself of every opportunity to advance in his chosen calling, that his practice shall reach a high point of efficiency. At the present time he is chief of staff of the Lucas County Hospital and gynecologist to the Flower Hospital. He did most important work in 1907 in promoting the agitation concerning the question of pure milk and for three years was a recognized leader in this movement. He served the city well with no thought of personal gain and he has been a stalwart champion of other activities which have brought about improved sanitary and health conditions.

On the 5th of January, 1895, Dr. Moots was married at Prospect, Ohio, to Miss Margaret Hill, a daughter of the Rev. Caleb Hill, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church. Dr. and Mrs. Moots are also connected with that denomination, their membership being in the Epworth church of Toledo. Politically the Doctor is a republican and his interest in community affairs and the general good has been manifest in various tangible ways. He is now serving on the board of trustees of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and he belongs to the various Masonic bodies. Along more strictly social lines his identification is with the Toledo Club and the Toledo Yacht Club and he finds his recreation principally in music, being a lover of those great harmonies with which men of master minds throughout the ages have interpreted all of the emotions of life. His own career has been one of signal service and usefulness to his fellowmen and he has come to rank with the most eminent gynecologists and surgeons of Ohio.

CLYDE H. HOYT

Clyde H. Hoyt, a man of marked executive force and notably keen business discernment, is secretary-treasurer and manager of The Clyde H. Hoyt Company, in which connection he has developed one of the large wholesale coal enterprises of Toledo and he is a factor in promoting the industrial prosperity of the city. A native of Ohio, he was born in Henry county on the 4th of September, 1879, and his parents were Charles H. and Mary (Ryder) Hoyt. The father was born in the state of New York and in early life he removed to Ohio, locating in Henry county, where for many years he successfully engaged in the drug business. Subsequently he came to Toledo, where he resided until his demise, which occurred in 1918. The mother is still a resident of this city. Of the three children born of their union, two are living: Clyde H. and Roy W., both of whom reside in Toledo.

After completing his public school course Clyde H. Hoyt entered Melchior's Business College of Toledo, from which he was graduated, and he then became a clerk in the offices of the Nickel Plate Railroad, filling that position for three years. He was next employed as a traveling salesman by the W. P. Hubbs Coal Company, which he represented for five years, and then accepted a more remunerative position with the New York Coal Company, in whose service he remained for four years. At the end of that time, feeling that his knowledge of the business was sufficient to warrant an independent venture in this field of activity, he

organized what is now known as The Clyde H. Hoyt Company, of which he is secretary-treasurer and manager, while George W. Harsh is filling the office of president, and David A. Martin is serving as vice president. They sell only to the wholesale trade and owing to the progressive methods and capable management of the men at its head a larger and lucrative business has been built up.

At Ann Arbor, Michigan, on the 22d of June, 1910, Mr. Hoyt was married to Miss Alice V. Dean, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Dean, well known residents of Toledo. To this union has been born a son, Joseph R., whose birth occurred in Grand Rapids, Michigan, in 1912, and who is now attending the Nathan Hale school in this city. Mr. Hoyt is a republican in his political views and he is a valued member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, while through his identification with the Sylvania Golf Club he obtains relaxation from the cares of business. He has never been neglectful of the duties of citizenship and to all that concerns the welfare and prosperity of his city he is quick to respond. His career has been marked by steady advancement and in the parlance of the day he has "made good," being recognized as one of the substantial and enterprising business men of Toledo, where he is widely and favorably known.

OSCAR C. ROBINSON

Oscar C. Robinson, who at the time of his death was one of the leading brick contractors of Toledo, was born in York, Pennsylvania, May 10, 1864, and passed away March 8, 1906. He was a son of Stephen Grant and Isabelle (Minnick) Robinson, the former a relative of General Grant, through the maternal line.

Oscar C. Robinson obtained a public school education and afterward learned the trade of plastering and of bricklaying. Undoubtedly one of the features of his success was the fact that he always continued in the line of business in which he embarked as a young tradesman, never dissipating his energies over a broad and diversified field. On the contrary he concentrated his labors along the one line and he became one of the most prominent brick contractors of Toledo, conducting an extensive and profitable business.

On the 25th of April, 1887, Mr. Robinson was married to Miss Millie Brown, a daughter of John W. and Catharine (Kimberlin) Brown. They became parents of three children: Edna, who is the widow of A. Claude Stevenson; Dora, who became the wife of A. R. Manson and died May 4, 1914, at the age of twenty-four years; and Gertrude, who died January 20, 1917, at the age of twenty-five years. She was a teacher in the Toledo schools. Mrs. Robinson is an active member and helpful worker in the Washington Congregational church. Mr. Robinson was very liberal in his political views, maintaining an independent course, voting according to the dictates of his judgment. He belonged to the Knights of Pythias and he was a charter member of the Builders Exchange. No better testimonial of his sterling personal worth can be given than by quoting from the memorial prepared by the Knights of Pythias lodge of which he was a member and which said in part: "Brother Robinson was one of nature's noblemen and believed in and practiced the tenets of our order, not because he thought he was compelled to do so, but because he realized that in following the teachings of the founder he was living up to the highest ideal of the brotherhood of man. By his every act and deed he tried to exemplify, in its broadest conception, the principles of his be-

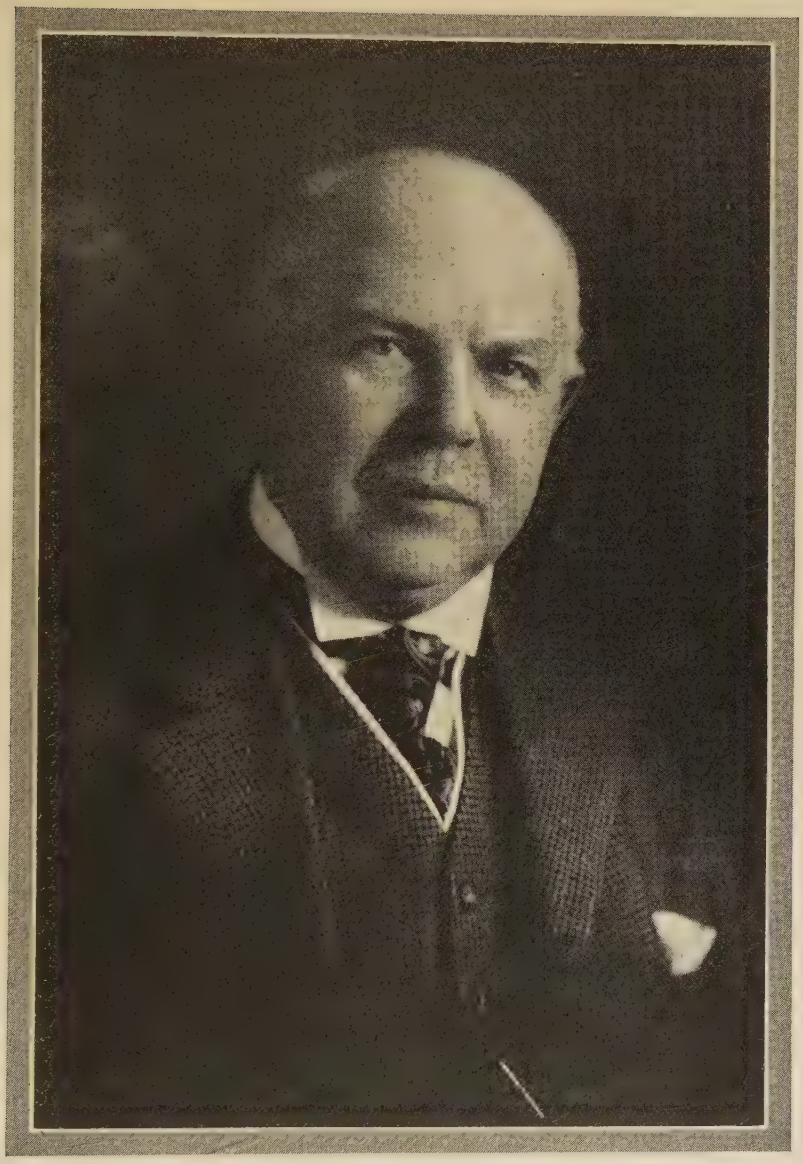
loved order, and always sought to excuse the frailties of others, and allowing them the charity that he would ask for himself. But while we mourn the departed one, what must be the feelings of the members of his household, who saw in him not only the devoted Pythian but also a noble, generous father, a kind and considerate husband and a faithful guardian of their interests."

A most beautiful memorial was also prepared by the Builders Exchange and from this the following excerpt is taken: "He whose loss we sincerely lament was a man of unchallenged rectitude of purpose in all the relations and obligations of life. When death touched the tired heart of O. C. Robinson, there passed from the scene of action a loyal friend, a generous neighbor and an excellent citizen. He was always held in esteem by his fellowmen as honorable and reliable. With him work was not only a duty but a pleasure, and hard work and honest ambition nobly performed occupied all his days. For himself he solved the problems of this world and was as independent as it was possible for a man to be. He was a man who always kept his word, gave heaped and rounded measure and discharged all his obligations uprightly. The members of this Exchange respected him in life, and today they honor him in death."

ROBERT H. BRADLEY

Robert H. Bradley, president and general manager of The Walding, Kinnan & Marvin Company, wholesale druggists, is identified as an officer or director with various other commercial and financial interests. Mr. Bradley was born in Adrian, Michigan, October 29, 1854, his parents being Robert Johnson and Laura W. Bradley, who were natives of New York and Vermont, respectively. The father was a carpenter and builder, who at an early date became a resident of Adrian, where he figured prominently not only in building operations, but was also for twenty-five years chief of the fire department of that city and a member of the city council.

Robert H. Bradley is the youngest son of a family of four sons and two daughters. He was educated in the public schools of Adrian, and obtained his first position in the wholesale and retail drug house of J. R. Bennett & Company, soon becoming well acquainted with every phase of the business. He remained with the firm for seven years and won promotion after promotion, each advance enabling him to gain wider experience and obtain a still more thorough knowledge of the drug trade. In 1876 he left his first employers to accept a better position with Plain, Williams & Company, wholesale druggists of Toledo, at which time he removed to this city. When that firm passed out of existence in 1877, he joined W. J. Walding & Company, predecessors of the present corporation of Walding, Kinnan & Marvin Company. He went on the road for the house as a traveling representative and continued in that position from 1877 until 1896, making the first sale for the house. Upon the reorganization of the business in 1896, Mr. Bradley was chosen secretary-treasurer, thus winning well deserved advancement. Theirs is today the only wholesale drug house in Toledo, and the business has enjoyed a steady and substantial growth as the years have passed. On October 9, 1917, Mr. Bradley was made vice president and general manager, and on the 19th of April, 1919, he became president and general manager of the Walding, Kinnan & Marvin Company, and in the same year he was elected president of the National Wholesale Druggists' Association.



ROBERT H. BRADLEY

Aside from his connection with the wholesale drug house, Mr. Bradley is a director of the Toledo Savings Bank & Trust Company, is president of the Allen Red Tame Cherry Company of Toledo, is president of the Midland Publishing Company, Columbus, Ohio, a director of the Sterling Cork & Seal Company, Toledo, a director of the Harter Candy Company, Toledo, and a trustee of the Woodlawn Cemetery Association.

On the 8th day of June, 1887, Mr. Bradley was united in marriage to Miss Minnie Louise Allen of Adrian, Michigan, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George N. Allen, who were pioneer settlers of that place. The death of Mrs. Bradley occurred on the 21st day of January, 1911. Through the maternal line she descended from the Bradish family, of Quaker ancestry, which was one of the first families represented in Lenawee county, Michigan. To Mr. and Mrs. Bradley were born four children: Allen Robert, who completed the course in the Asheville Preparatory school in 1909, attended the University of Wisconsin, served two and a half years in the World war as first lieutenant in the United States cavalry, sixteen months of this time being spent overseas in France and Germany, and is now a director and a purchasing agent of the Walding, Kinnan & Marvin Company; Bruce Foster, who was graduated from the Toledo high school in 1908, afterward attended the College of Agriculture of the University of Wisconsin, and since 1913 has been in charge of his father's farm of sixteen hundred and fifty-five acres situated about thirty-three miles from Detroit, between the Thames river and Lake St. Clair, in Ontario, Canada. He married Miss Marjory Sigler of Cleveland, Ohio. They have one son, Robert Sigler Bradley; Therese, who was educated at Wells College, Aurora, New York, is now the wife of Major Dean Hudnutt, an army officer stationed at West Point, New York. They have one child, Barbara Hudnutt; and Robert Nelson Bradley, who was graduated from Harvard in 1923.

Mr. Bradley is a supporter of the republican party, but has never been an aspirant for office. He belongs to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Art Museum, and to the Toledo Club and Country Club. He attends the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church and is interested in those forces which make for progress and improvement, which tend to advance the civic interests of the community. He was a member of the Milner Service at Cost Street Car Commission. His has been an active and useful life, and Toledo has profited by the scope, extent and importance of his business interests.

JAMES SYLVESTER HAGGERTY

James Sylvester Haggerty was born in Delphos, Ohio, December 27, 1872, his parents being James and Mary (Dean) Haggerty, whose family numbered nine children, James being the fourth in order of birth. The father was a farmer who cultivated a tract of land near Delphos, which he brought under a high state of improvement.

James S. Haggerty pursued his education in the public schools of Delphos, passing through consecutive grades. His parents died when he was comparatively young and from an early age he depended upon his own resources, so that whatever success he achieved came to him as the direct result of his labors. For about seven years he worked at the Hoffman House of Toledo and later he entered the employ of Ed Fowler. On the 5th of December, 1901, Mr. Haggerty purchased a cafe

business at the corner of Adams and Twenty-first streets, where he remained until his death. From time to time he made judicious investments in real estate, as his financial resources increased and he owned several pieces of valuable property in Toledo, so that he left his family in comfortable financial circumstances when he was called from this life.

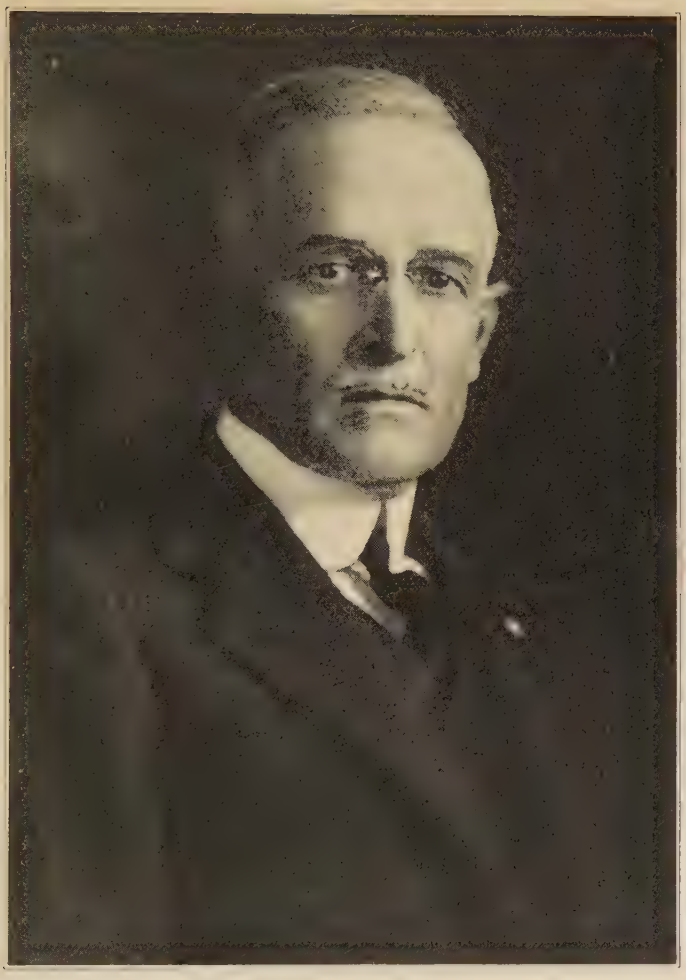
On the 1st of September, 1897, in this city, Mr. Haggerty was married to Miss Augusta Cray, a daughter of Robert and Robertina (Kneebusch) Cray. To this marriage there were born two children: Ruth Marguerite, who is a member of the class of 1923, Ursuline Academy of the Sacred Heart; and Robert James, a student at Central high school. The religious faith of the family is that of the Catholic church, their membership being in St. Francis de Sales parish. Mr. Haggerty was also identified with the Fraternal Order of Eagles. His political support was given to the republican party where state and national issues were involved, but in city elections he cast an independent ballot. He died from a nervous breakdown on the 14th of July, 1912, when in the fortieth year of his age, his life having been passed in Ohio, while during the greater part of the time he had been a resident of Toledo and was here widely known.

SILAS CORNELL WALBRIDGE

Silas Cornell Walbridge, initiating his business career as a bank messenger, is now the vice president and treasurer of The Berdan Company, having reached his present enviable position in business circles through an orderly progression that indicates the wise and careful use of his time, talents and opportunities as the years have gone by. Mr. Walbridge was born in Toledo, March 27, 1861, and is a son of Ebenezer and Alice (Cornell) Walbridge. The father established his home in this city in 1857 and here devoted his attention to business as a grain merchant. In the early '60s, however, he removed with his family to Chicago and there passed away at the comparatively early age of thirty-eight years, after which his widow returned with her children to the east.

By reason of this removal Silas C. Walbridge pursued his education in the east, attending a private school at Yonkers, New York, and afterward a preparatory school in Providence, Rhode Island. Later he again came to Ohio, where he entered the Wesleyan University, and his studies there completed his educational training. He started out in the business world as a messenger in the employ of the First National Bank of Toledo and steadily worked his way upward, so that he was filling the position of teller when he resigned. He afterward became secretary of the Union Manufacturing Company and subsequently devoted a year to the manufacture of bicycles. In 1897 he became associated with The Berdan Company, of which he is now the vice president and treasurer. This company was incorporated in 1917 and its business has shown a steady and substantial growth through the passing years. The business experience and enterprise of Mr. Walbridge have been contributing factors to the desired results and he has thus reached a creditable place in the commercial circles of the city.

On the 27th of October, 1892, Mr. Walbridge was married to Miss Elizabeth Cummings, a daughter of John and Carrie Cummings, and to them have been born three children, Sinclair, Carolyn and Carlton Barnes. The first named served in the World war as a member of the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Field



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Artillery and was with the Thirty-second Division. He was with the army for twenty-one months and was in France from June, 1918, until March, 1919, when he was discharged with the rank of second lieutenant. On the 27th of October, 1921, he was married to Margaret Row of Indianapolis, Indiana, and is now the manager of the cigar department for The Berdan Company. In addition to his activities as an official of The Berdan Company, Sinclair Walbridge is a director of the Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company of Toledo; Carolyn, the only daughter, is the wife of Lewis P. Kinsey, of the bond firm of Kinsey & McMahon of Toledo; Carlton Barnes, the youngest, is connected with the firm of Kinsey & McMahon.

Mr. Walbridge is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and stanchly endorses its purposes in relation to public welfare and civic advancement. That he is appreciative of the social amenities of life is indicated in his connection with the Toledo Club and the Country Club.

EDWARD H. RAY

The passing years have chronicled the steady advancement of Edward H. Ray as a member of the bar and through a period of twenty-eight years devoted to practice he has gained a place among the prominent and capable members of the profession, holding at all times to its highest ethical standards and most loyally protecting the interests of his clients.

Edward H. Ray was born on a farm in Richfield township, Lucas county, Ohio, September 1, 1870, his parents being Henry and Alice (Tucker) Ray, both of whom were natives of Lorain county, this state. The father, who was born May 28, 1847, was but little past fifty years of age when his death occurred on the 2d of June, 1897. He had devoted his life to the occupation of farming but in his youthful days had enlisted for service in the Civil war, remaining for two years as a private of the Fourteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He participated in the battle of Chattanooga, was with Sherman on the celebrated march from Atlanta to the sea and also took part in the Grand Review at Washington, D. C., after the close of the war. He always proudly wore the little bronze button that proclaimed him a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, his connection being with the post at Richfield. He also belonged to the Berkey Lodge of Odd Fellows and he was a member of the First Christian church of Richfield. He came of Irish ancestry, while his wife was of Scotch descent. She, too, was born in Lorain county, Ohio, but was only three years of age when brought by her parents to Lucas county. The death of Mr. Ray occurred in Berkey, Ohio. His wife still makes her home in Berkey. In their family were two children, of whom Charles Ray still resides on the old homestead.

Edward H. Ray acquired his early education in the public schools of Blissfield, Michigan, and after pursuing his high school course there he attended the Northern Indiana Law School at Valparaiso, where he was graduated in 1894. Returning to Toledo, he became associated in practice with W. E. Cordill and this partnership relation was maintained until the death of Mr. Cordill in February, 1917. Since that time Mr. Ray has practiced alone. He enjoys an extensive clientage and his legal business has been of an important character. He always displays thoroughness in the preparation of his cases and skill in handling his cause before the court

and the public records bear testimony to many favorable verdicts which he has won. He is now attorney for the Home Building & Savings Company, also for the Lucas County Abstract Company and the Farmers' & Merchants' Bank of Metamora, Ohio.

Mr. Ray has a family of five children: Bertha, born in Toledo in 1897; Guion, born in 1903 and now attending high school at Metamora; Pauline, who was born April 5, 1906; Elene, born in 1909; and Alice, born in 1911.

Mr. Ray makes his home at Berkey, Ohio, but was a resident of Toledo for eighteen years and still engages in practice here. His political endorsement has long been given to the republican party, while fraternally he is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He also belongs to the Ottawa Park Golf Club and along strictly professional lines is connected with the Toledo Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association. In his chosen profession he has made a creditable name and place for himself and his progress has been of most substantial character. His developing powers have brought him prominently to the front and he has shown his capability in coping with many intricate and involved legal problems.

ALBERT N. AND LEO RIES

For fifty-five years members of the Ries family have figured prominently in connection with the commercial development and upbuilding of Toledo and its present representatives, Albert N. and Leo Ries, are numbered among the leading automobile dealers and successful business men of the city, in which they are widely known and highly esteemed. Albert N. Ries, a native son of Toledo, was born November 24, 1875, of the union of Nathan L. and Louise (Weil) Ries, the former a native of France and the latter of Germany. Following their marriage they came to the United States and in 1867 they became residents of Toledo, where the father engaged in the produce business, with which he was identified for many years, winning a gratifying measure of success. He passed away in this city April 6, 1918, at the age of seventy-five. The mother's demise occurred in January, 1913, when she was sixty-seven years of age. They were the parents of four children: Leo, Mrs. S. E. Weil, Mrs. Albert Kraus and Albert N., all of whom are living in Toledo.

Albert N. Ries acquired his education in the grammar and high schools of this city and after laying aside his textbooks he began assisting his father in the operation of the wholesale produce business established by the latter. For twenty years his attention was concentrated upon that line of activity and following the retirement of Nathan L. Ries in 1912 the business was sold, at which time Albert N. and Leo Ries took over the White motor car agency in this city, which they have since successfully conducted. They are alert, energetic and capable business men who have made a close study of the automobile trade, and the volume of their sales establishes their position among the largest dealers in the city. Albert N. Ries is unmarried and resides at the Secor Hotel in this city. His fraternal connections are with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Fraternal Order of Eagles and in his political views he is a republican. He is an enthusiastic motorist and in 1921 made the cross country trip from Toledo to Los Angeles, California, and return in his White touring car, being accompanied by two automobile

mechanics. Four months were spent in making the journey, which was accomplished without mishap, and he is planning to make another extensive trip by automobile this summer.

His brother, Leo Ries, was born in Toledo in 1873 and after completing his public school course he also became associated with his father in the produce business. Following the latter's retirement he joined his brother, Albert N. Ries, in the management of the agency for the White cars, which they are now controlling. He was married at Chicago, Illinois, on the 27th of June, 1906, to Miss Aimee Sloman, a daughter of M. I. Sloman, a prominent clothing manufacturer of Rochester, New York, and they have two children: Lucille, whose birth occurred in 1908; and Morton, born in 1909. They are natives of Toledo and both are attending the public schools. Like his brother, Mr. Ries is a republican in his political views and he is also a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

ANTHONY G. TREPINSKI

Anthony G. Trepinski, city treasurer of Toledo, belongs to that class of substantial business men called to public office by their fellow townsmen who have recognized the necessity of placing the business interests of the municipality in the hands of those who are accustomed to direct and successfully control important interests. Fully meeting the duties and obligations that devolve upon him in this connection, Anthony G. Trepinski is proving a most competent official. He was born in Toledo, June 13, 1881, and is a son of Mathias and Amelia (Strantz) Trepinski, both of whom were natives of Poland, whence they came to the United States in early life, establishing their home in this city in the middle '60s, arriving about 1865. Here the father engaged in gardening in the outskirts of the city. He passed away in 1918. The mother is yet making her home in Toledo. Their family numbered six children: Casimier, Mrs. Katherine Halas, Frank A., Mrs. Hattie Gonsiorowski, Marie and Anthony G., all residents of Toledo.

In his youthful days Anthony G. Trepinski was a pupil in the public and parochial schools of this city and also attended the Tri-State Business College, where he was trained for the practical duties of the commercial world. He afterward started to work in clerical lines and was identified with mercantile interests, occupying several positions, until 1914, when he was called to public office by appointment to the position of deputy clerk of the Lucas county courts. He served in that capacity for five years and during two and a half years of the period was deputy, while on the 1st of July, 1918, he became commissioner of the treasury of Toledo, or city treasurer. He is now acting in that capacity and has made a most efficient and trustworthy officer. Aside from the discharge of his official duties he is engaged in the real estate business and maintains a steamship ticket agency as senior partner in the firm of Trepinski & Frankowski. His business affairs have been well managed and are bringing to him substantial success. He has always voted with the democratic party and stanchly supports its principles.

On the 5th of June, 1907, Mr. Trepinski was married to Miss Pauline R. Rosplohowska of Toledo, daughter of Michael and Rose Rosplohowska. They have one child, Sylvester J. M., who was born November 25, 1908, and is a graduate of the Cathedral chapel school and a student at Scott high school.

Mr. Trepinski is identified with the Polish National Alliance and with the

Polish Falcons of America. His religious faith is that of the Roman Catholic church and he is a third degree member of the Knights of Columbus. He belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and to the Fraternal Order of Eagles and he is also connected with the Toledo Commerce Club. Whatever success he has achieved in business is attributable entirely to his own efforts and perseverance and he may well be called a self-made man, deserving all the credit which that term implies. He worked earnestly and persistently in early years to gain a start and held clerical positions with the Toledo Machine & Tool Company from 1907 until 1914, working his way upward to the position of chief clerk. His capability along various lines led to his selection for public office and he is now satisfactorily discharging the duties of city treasurer. He resides at No. 220 Hausman street.

DAVID ANDERSON

David Anderson, the president of the National Milling Company of Toledo and long identified with flour manufacture in the middle west, is of Irish nativity, his birth having occurred in the city of Belfast, on the 5th of January, 1867. He pursued his education in the Royal Academic Institute and at the age of twelve years he began earning his living by working in a tea and coffee store, being apprenticed for seven years. He came to America in June, 1887, when a young man of twenty years, thinking to find better business opportunities on this side of the Atlantic and actuated by a laudable ambition to work his way upward. He first obtained employment in Philadelphia, occupying a position for a time as bookkeeper, while later he was with an optical company in St. Louis. He next went on the road as a traveling salesman, covering southern territory during a period of two years. In 1889 he secured a position as bookkeeper with a flour mill company in Edwardsville, Illinois, and thus obtained his initial experience in the line of business in which he has since been engaged. Finding this a congenial field of labor, he acquainted himself with various phases of the business and later became manager of a flour mill at Noblesville, Indiana, where he remained for fifteen years, the mill with which he was connected at that place being owned by the Nordyke and Marmon interests. In 1909 he came to Toledo as vice president and general manager of the National Milling Company plant, shortly afterward becoming president. In 1917 he purchased the majority interest of the company. He has a large mill with a capacity of three thousand eight hundred barrels daily and has always maintained the highest standards of excellence in connection with the output. His mill equipment is first-class in every particular and the most modern processes are used in manufacturing the flour. In the management and control of the business Mr. Anderson displays splendid executive ability and his labors have brought results which are highly gratifying.

In 1891 Mr. Anderson was united in marriage to Miss Lily H. Hirsch of St. Louis, Missouri, and they have become the parents of five children: David, Jr., is president of the Anderson-Roberts Manufacturing Company of Toledo; Harold is vice president of the National Milling Company; Kathleen is Mrs. J. Paul Manton of Toledo; Mary is Mrs. E. G. Howard of Sylvania, Ohio; and Alice is Mrs. Herbert T. McNerney of Los Angeles, California. Both David, Jr., and Harold Anderson are veterans of the World war, being with the Marines, the

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first named having participated in the hard fighting at Belleau wood and later engagements.

The religious faith of the family is that of the Presbyterian church and they are generous supporters of its work, in which they take active interest. Fraternally Mr. Anderson is a Royal Arch Mason and formerly served as high priest of Noblesville Chapter, No. 120, R. A. M., at Noblesville, Indiana. He also belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, while in club circles he occupies an enviable position, having membership in the Toledo Club, the Inverness Golf Club, the Maumee Yacht Club and the Castalia Trout Club--associations that indicate much of the nature of his rest and recreation. As a business man he is alert and energetic, recognized as a dynamic force in the manufacturing circles of the city, and his success is based on those stable business principles which all men admire and commend and which are the foundation of all honorable advancement along commercial lines.

JOSEPH PATRICK HANLEY

By the path of reportorial and editorial work in connection with Toledo's newspapers Joseph Patrick Hanley ultimately arrived at the bar, for, prompted by a laudable ambition, while employed in newspaper work he had devoted his leisure hours to the study of law and was at length qualified for practice. His remaining days, therefore, were given to the active work of the profession and he was also recognized as one of the political leaders of the city. Mr. Hanley was born in County Clare, Ireland, June 2, 1861, a son of David and Ann (Carroll) Hanley, the father being a professor of botany in Ireland. Joseph P. Hanley was about a year and a half old when his parents left the Emerald Isle and crossed the Atlantic to the new world, making their way direct to Ohio. They settled first in Steubenville, where he attended the public schools and later he was a student in the state university at Columbus. He spent several years in Van Wert, Ohio, where he engaged in teaching, becoming superintendent of schools in Van Wert county. In 1891 he became a resident of Toledo and at the age of thirty years he secured a position with the old Smead Furnace & Foundry Company, while subsequently he obtained employment as reporter on the Toledo Blade. He also worked on the old Toledo News for a time as reporter and afterward became city editor of that paper. During his reportorial experience he studied law and it was said that he could always be seen in every leisure moment pouring over his law books. Finally his perseverance and determination brought him his reward, for in 1896 he was admitted to the Lucas county bar. This was five years after his arrival in Toledo and from that time forward his advance was rapid. He made steady progress in his profession and gained a good clientage that connected him with much important litigation heard in the courts. He possessed a natural gift of oratory, was strong and logical in his reasoning and clear and forceful in his deductions.

While residing in Van Wert county Mr. Hanley was united in marriage to Miss Nellie Carroll and they became the parents of five children: David, who is now representing the M. B. Daly interests in Seattle, Washington; Joseph, a prominent physician, specializing in the treatment of the eye and ear in Chicago; Marie, the wife of Oliver Bergeron of Cleveland; Helen, the widow of L. L. H.

Austin, of Cleveland; and Lucille, also living in Cleveland. The wife and mother passed away in 1897 and two years later Mr. Hanley was married to Catherine Donahue of Toledo, a daughter of Sylvester and Catherine Donahue, who were early residents of this city. Two children were born of this marriage: Harold T., who is a graduate of the Scott high school and is preparing for the bar at Georgetown University, Georgetown, D. C.; and Elizabeth, now a student at Seton Hill college, Greensburg, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Hanley was again married on June 15, 1920, becoming the wife of Mr. Justin P. Wells a mechanical engineer of Toledo.

Mr. Hanley always took a deep interest in public affairs and his aid and influence were ever on the side of progress and improvement. He was elected to the board of education, whereon he served for nine years and during three terms was president of the board. He continued to serve until forced to resign on account of the press of private business. His law practice steadily grew and made heavy demands upon his time and energy. He had comprehensive knowledge of the principles of jurisprudence and was seldom at fault in the application of such principles to the points at issue. He belonged to the Toledo Bar Association and enjoyed in large measure the confidence and goodwill of his professional brethren. His religious faith was that of the Catholic church, he being a communicant of St. Francis de Sales. At the time of his death, which occurred July 12, 1908, when he was but forty-seven years of age, one of the local papers said: "Mr. Hanley was strictly a self-made man and whatever he accomplished was the result only of determined perseverance. He was always quick to grasp opportunities to better himself as well as to assist others, and his sudden passing was the cause for general regret among a wide circle of friends."

NEWTON A. TRACY

Newton A. Tracy, one of the best known of the younger members of the Toledo bar, is the second generation of the family to engage in law practice here, and is now rapidly rising to prominence, his practice covering all state and federal courts save the United States supreme court. He was born in Toledo, August 9, 1888, a son of Thomas H. and Laura E. (Pratt) Tracy, his father being one of the most distinguished members who has ever practiced at the Toledo bar.

Newton A. Tracy was educated in the schools of Toledo, and afterward pursued his preparatory course in the Oberlin (Ohio) Academy, from which he was graduated with the class of 1909. His preparation for the bar was made in the University of Michigan, in which he received his LL. B. degree in 1912. The same year he was admitted to practice at the bars of Ohio and Michigan. He was associated with the firm of King, Tracy, Chapman & Welles, which in 1914 became Tracy, Chapman & Welles, his father being the senior member, and with this firm Newton A. Tracy has since been associated.

In addition to his professional interests, he is identified with a number of industrial corporations, among them being The Toledo Bridge and Crane Company, of which he is secretary, also of the Toledo Screw Products Company, of the Air-Way Electric Appliance Corporation and of the Auburn Factories Company. His knowledge of law is of great value in these connections and continuing in active law practice he has gained an extensive and distinctively representative clientele.

NEWTON A TRACY

Mr. Tracy married Miss Juanita Hopper of New York. They have two children: Laurabelle and Thomas H. (III).

Mr. Tracy is a member of the Toledo Club and the Chamber of Commerce and his professional connections are with the Toledo, Ohio State and American Bar associations.

FRANK HENRY SNYDER

Frank Henry Snyder, who is at the head of the Snyder Monument Works of Toledo, a partnership concern, was born in Michigan on the 13th of August, 1878, and is a son of John and Barbara (Burkhart) Snyder, the former a carpenter by trade, his activity along that line enabling him to provide a comfortable living for his family.

Frank Henry Snyder was but five years of age at the time his parents removed to Toledo, so that he was educated here, attending St. Peter's parochial school and college. He made his initial step in the business world by learning the marble cutter's trade and developed a high degree of efficiency along that line. He worked in the employ of others for some time, continually promoting his skill through experience, and in 1904 he established a marble business on his own account by becoming junior partner in the firm of Qualman & Snyder. Under that style the business was conducted until 1916, when it was reorganized under the name of the Snyder Monument Works, at which time Ernest C. Globensky became a partner of Mr. Snyder and the relation has since been maintained. They have an establishment of considerable proportions and feel a justifiable pride in the excellence of the work turned out.

On the 12th of August, 1902, Mr. Snyder was united in marriage to Miss Emma Hayes and they have become parents of two children, Marie Josephine and Wilma Barbara. Mr. Snyder belongs to the Catholic church, as is indicated in the fact that he is identified with the Knights of Columbus, an organization which draws its members only from those of Catholic faith. He is also associated with the Protective Home Circle and with the Young Men's Christian Association and along more strictly social lines he is a member of the Toledo Automobile Club and the Rural Community Club. His interests and activities are those of the normal business man who is actuated by a progressive spirit not only in connection with his private and individual business affairs but also as related to community welfare and the upholding of civic standards.

EDWARD C. NEUBERT

Through the steps of an orderly progression, each advance being made at the cost of earnest labor and persevering effort, Edward C. Neubert has risen to the position of manager of the Midland Linseed Products Company of Toledo and although his residence in the city covers but a short period, he has already made his influence felt in its commercial circles. He was born in Grantwood, New Jersey, July 22, 1894, and is a son of Richard and Clara (Schneider) Neubert, both of whom were of European birth and came to the United States in early life.

The father learned the cigar maker's trade and for many years he has successfully engaged in the manufacture of cigars at Grantwood. The mother is also living and three children have been born of their marriage, namely: Edward C.; and George and Charles, both of whom are residents of Grantwood.

Edward C. Neubert was a pupil in the Cliffside Park school at Cliffside, New Jersey, after which he attended night school, and his initial business experience was along chemical lines. Subsequently he entered the employ of the Midland Linseed Products Company at Edgewater, New Jersey, starting in a humble capacity, and as his experience and ability increased he was entrusted with greater responsibilities. He was advanced to the position of foreman, then became general foreman and at length was made assistant superintendent of the Edgewater plant. So capably did he discharge his duties in that connection that he was chosen by the company for an office of still greater importance and on the 10th of April, 1922, assumed charge of their Toledo plant, of which he is now manager. He thoroughly understands the business with which he is connected and has instituted well devised plans for its expansion and upbuilding. Diligence and efficiency characterize all of his work and he is proving worthy of the trust reposed in him by those whom he serves.

On the 2d of May, 1919, Mr. Neubert was married to Miss Sophia Hornung, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elias Hornung of West New York, New Jersey, and they have one child, Eleanor, who was born at Grantwood, New Jersey, March 3, 1920. Mr. Neubert is a blue lodge Mason and a member of the American Mechanics Association, while in his political views he is a republican. He is yet a young man but he has already accomplished much, and his energy and ability will undoubtedly carry him steadily forward. He has found this city much to his liking and Toledo regards him as a valuable addition to its citizenship.

HOWARD M. PRICE

A notably successful career is that of Howard M. Price, a native son of Toledo, whose enterprise and ambition have carried him steadily forward until he has become a dominant figure in business circles of the city, serving as president of The Usona Manufacturing Company, in which connection he is controlling an undertaking of extensive proportions. He was born March 12, 1890, and his parents, John M. and Luella (Lane) Price, are also natives of this state. For many years the father successfully engaged in the grocery business and he is now living retired in this city. The mother also survives and three children have been born of their union: Mrs. Charlotte MacLane, who is living in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and J. Foster and Howard M. Price, both residents of Toledo.

The public schools of this city afforded Howard M. Price his educational opportunities and in 1907 he was graduated from the Central high school, after which he entered business life. He first became connected with The Usona Manufacturing Company in 1911, securing a position in the sales department of the Bridgeport Metal Goods Manufacturing Company, of Bridgeport, Connecticut, later known as The Usona Manufacturing Company, in which plant four hundred and fifty men are employed, while the firm also maintains distributing branches in New York city, Kansas City, Missouri, Toledo and Windsor, Canada. Mr. Price applied himself to the sales end of the business and as his knowledge and ability increased he was promoted to positions of larger responsibility, at

length becoming president, which office he is now filling. The company manufacture Kwik-lite flashlights and Usona radio outfits, all of which are made in its factory from the raw materials and represent its own original ideas, on which the firm has secured patents. It has been the concern's constant endeavor to produce the best that ingenuity, experience and originality can perfect and the superiority of its output has secured for it a wide sale. The company makes many varieties of flashlights, including tubular and vest pocket styles, pen lights, pistol lights, electric lanterns, search lanterns, portable searchlights, and the well known Kwik-Lite batteries. Mr. Price possesses executive ability of a high order, combined with keen sagacity, and has the power of concentration which enables him to give his entire thought to the matter in hand, so that he brings to bear all of his force in the accomplishment of his purpose.

In Toledo, on the 7th of June, 1913, Mr. Price was united in marriage to Miss Ethel Causey, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Causey, and they now have two children: Phyllis Lane, who was born in 1914 and is a public school pupil; and Marian Janette, born in 1918. Mr. Price is a member of the Washington Congregational church and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He is a prominent Mason, being a member of Toledo Commandery and Shrine, and in the consistory he has attained the thirty-second degree. He is also a member of the Toledo Club and the Inverness Golf Club and his civic spirit finds expression in his membership with the Chamber of Commerce. He is an exceptionally capable young business man, whose rapidly expanding powers have carried him into the field of large enterprises and constantly broadening opportunities. He enjoys the esteem of many friends and fully deserves the honor that is accorded the fortunate individual who has fought and won in the great battle of life. Mr. Price's residence is at No. 14 Rockingham drive.

FREDERICK HOWE THOMPSON

The life record of Frederick Howe Thompson, general traffic manager of the Willys-Overland Company of Toledo, furnishes an excellent example of the power of perseverance and industry in the attainment of success, for he started out in life empty-handed and has steadily progressed until he now occupies a position of prominence in business circles of Toledo. He was born in Detroit, Michigan, October 24, 1872, a son of Robert and Elizabeth (Barnard) Thompson, the former a native of Ireland and the latter of the state of Rhode Island. In early life the father came to the United States and in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, he married Miss Barnard. At the outbreak of the Civil war he offered his services to his adopted country, enlisting from Rhode Island and continuing to defend the cause of the Union until the restoration of peace. He was a stone mason and after the close of the war he removed to Michigan, establishing his home in Detroit, where he continued to follow his trade until his demise. The mother has also passed away. In their family were seven children: Ann, Elizabeth, Grace, R. L., O. L., J. B. and Frederick Howe.

The grammar schools of his native city afforded Frederick Howe Thompson his educational opportunities and he entered the business world as office boy in the Detroit offices of the Grand Trunk Railway Company. When twenty-five years of age he became connected with the freight department of the Michigan

Central Railroad Company and his ability won him advancement to the position of assistant general freight agent. He continued in their service until 1917, when he came to Toledo as traffic manager for the Willys-Overland Company, in which capacity he has since served. Broad experience well qualifies him for the responsible duties which devolve upon him and his services are of great value to the company, which controls one of the largest automobile industries in the country.

In Detroit, Michigan, on the 8th of August, 1892, Mr. Thompson was united in marriage to Miss Florence Alton and they have become the parents of five children: Charles A., the eldest, was born in Detroit in 1894 and acquired his education in the public schools of that city, where he is now engaged in the real estate business. He married Miss Marie Cronin and they have had four children: Phyllis, deceased; Elaine; C. A., Jr., and Marylin; F. H. Thompson, Jr., the second son of Mr. Thompson of this review, a native of Detroit, was born June 30, 1896, and is now associated with his elder brother in the real estate business in Detroit. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, winning promotion to a lieutenancy, and was stationed in the West Indies; Helen G. was born in Detroit in October, 1904, and completed her education in the Scott high school of Toledo; Florence was born in Detroit in 1906 and is now a member of the senior class of the Scott high school; Robert Lee, a native of Toledo, was born in 1908 and is also attending Scott high school.

Mr. Thompson is a Presbyterian in religious faith and his political views are in accord with the tenets of the republican party. As a member of the Chamber of Commerce he is doing all in his power to promote the industrial prosperity of Toledo and he is also connected with the Transportation Club and the Automobile Club. Throughout his career he has closely applied himself to the work in hand, always endeavoring to discharge his duties according to the best of his ability, and the years have chronicled his growing success. He is recognized as a capable business man and progressive citizen and measures up to the highest standards in every relation of life.

DANIEL DOW SCHENCK

Daniel Dow Schenck was one of the best known men in the anthracite coal trade in the middle west and his untimely death on October 12, 1918, was a distinct loss to Toledo, where he was born and reared and where his friends were coextensive with his acquaintances. Mr. Schenck was born December 9, 1875, a son of Schuyler C. and Harriet Elizabeth (Dow) Schenck, more extended mention of whom will be found elsewhere in this work. Daniel D. Schenck graduated from Phillips Academy of Andover, Massachusetts, in 1894, and from the Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University in 1897. Almost at once after leaving college he entered upon his business career in connection with his father's extensive and varied interests. He early displayed an aptitude and capability that were emphasized in his later business career. Upon the death of his father he succeeded him in various important and prominent corporate interests, among them being the presidency of The Toledo & Indiana Railroad, sales agent for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Coal Company in Toledo, extensive coal trade interests in Chicago formerly known as the S. C. Schenck Company and

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on the board of directors of both the First National Bank and Union Savings Bank. While a large part of his business responsibility centered in the S. C. Schenck Company of Chicago, he was actively identified with these various interests until his death and in all of them his wisdom, judgment and rare personality were recognized and valued. A contemporary biographer said of him: "Mr. Schenck was always a man of force and initiative, keen in mind, rare in judgment, genial and lovable in disposition, democratic in temper. He was a man with a multitude of friends and no enemies. . . . . and in the prime of life and service at the time of his death."

He was a member of the Toledo Club, the Country Club, Inverness Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, the University Club of Chicago and the Yale Club of New York. He was a trustee and a member of the building committee of the First Congregational church and a member of the board of trustees of the Toledo Hospital.

FRANK W. JAMES

Frank W. James, who figures prominently in commercial circles of Toledo, has devoted the greater part of his life to the millinery business, of which he has gained a specialized knowledge, and his constantly expanding powers have placed him at the head of the most important undertaking of the kind in the city. He was born in Morrow county, Ohio, December 28, 1877, and his parents were George B. and Vandalia (Westbrook) James, also natives of the Buckeye state. The father has devoted his life to the occupation of farming and is numbered among the leading agriculturists of Morrow county. The mother is deceased. They were the parents of two children: Mrs. Imogene Shoemaker, a resident of Marion, Ohio; and Frank W.

Frank W. James acquired his education in the district schools of Morrow county, Ohio, and the high school at Marion, this state, after which he entered business life, being connected with various lines of activity. Eventually he secured a position as traveling salesman for a wholesale millinery firm of Columbus, Ohio, and successfully represented that house for six years, gaining a comprehensive knowledge of the business. While thus engaged his duties frequently brought him to Toledo and he was so favorably impressed with trade conditions here that he decided to embark in an independent business venture in this city. Accordingly he opened a retail millinery store on Cherry street and his efforts met with such decided success that he determined to enlarge the scope of his activities. Disposing of his retail store at the end of two years, he entered the wholesale millinery field in 1910, conducting an establishment at No. 136 Summit street, where he remained until January 1, 1921, when he was forced to seek larger quarters and removed to his present location on the second floor of a building at No. 232 Superior street. He conducts his interests under the style of the F. W. James Company, of which he is the president, and in the control of his interests he displays notable administrative ability, keen sagacity, enterprise and breadth of vision. His efforts have been attended with a gratifying measure of success and he is now at the head of the largest wholesale millinery establishment in the city, eighty persons being employed in the operation of the business.

At Columbus, Ohio, on the 25th of December, 1899, Mr. James was married to Miss Jeannette Randall, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Randall of that

city, and they have become the parents of a daughter, Jean Olive, whose birth occurred in Toledo in 1918. Mr. and Mrs. James are Christian Scientists in religious faith and he is a member of the Toledo Credit Men's Association, the Toledo Commerce Club and the Maumee River Yacht Club. He is also a thirty-second degree Mason. His well-directed efforts have contributed to the commercial expansion and upbuilding of the city, as well as to the attainment of individual prosperity.

GEORGE DAVID MOORE

One of the important industrial plants of Toledo is that of the Chevrolet Motor Ohio Company, of which George David Moore is the vice president and general manager. This business had its inception in August, 1909, and has been developed and enlarged until it is today one of the chief productive industries not only of this city but of the entire state. The life story of its vice president is one of interest because of the fact that, starting out in the business world for himself when but a lad of twelve years and working for twenty-five cents per day, he has steadily advanced until he has reached the commanding position which he now occupies and his life should certainly serve as a source of courage and inspiration to others. Mr. Moore was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, August 22, 1877, and is a son of David and Elizabeth (Evans) Moore. The father, a native of Scotland, came to America in 1864, when a youth of eighteen years, and for an extended period was identified with foundry interests, continuing in that line of business until his death, which occurred in 1920.

George David Moore has spent his life in Ohio, pursuing his education in the public schools of Hamilton, to which place the family removed from Cincinnati when he was a youth of eight years. From the age of twelve he worked in a foundry both before and after school, receiving twenty-five cents per day for his labor, and when his textbooks were put aside he concentrated his entire effort and attention upon the business. He made steady progress, thoroughly mastering every task assigned to him, and his increasing power and ability in his chosen field brought him to the position of foreman of the brass department in a large brass foundry when he was twenty-three years of age. In that position of responsibility he continued until 1909, when he came to Toledo, where he entered into active connection with the Warner Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of auto parts, his position being that of paymaster and timekeeper. Later he was advanced to the position of general superintendent and factory manager, and when the business was sold to the General Motors Company he was assistant general manager. Today his official position is that of vice president and general manager of The Chevrolet Motor Ohio Company, manufacturing division, a branch of the General Motors Company. This business was established in Toledo in August, 1909, and was conducted under the name of the Warner Manufacturing Company until October 16, 1916, when it became affiliated with the General Motors Corporation as a unit of the Chevrolet division and has operated as such to the present. During their entire business career in Toledo the company has been engaged in the manufacture of transmissions, differentials and steering gears for automobiles. The business was started with thirty men and approximately twenty thousand square feet of floor space. Year by year the trade has steadily grown until at present there are

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about two thousand employes and the plant includes over three hundred thousand square feet of floor space. They have a strictly modern plant, both as to buildings and equipment, and theirs is one of the most important industrial concerns of Ohio. As vice president and general manager Mr. Moore has contributed in notable measure to the success of the business at Toledo and is today regarded as one of the valued and representative manufacturers of the state.

On the 5th of July, 1899, Mr. Moore was married to Miss Katherine M. Huber of Harrison, Ohio, and they became parents of a daughter, Mildred Elizabeth, who was educated in the University of Michigan and in the Michigan State Normal College at Ypsilanti and is now a teacher in the public schools of Toledo. In his fraternal relations Mr. Moore is both a Mason and an Odd Fellow and in the former organization he has attained high rank, becoming a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and a member of the Mystic Shrine. He is a loyal follower of the teachings and purposes of the craft, making its beneficent spirit a workable principle in his life. Forceful and resourceful in business, he has become a dynamic power in manufacturing circles and certainly deserves great credit for what he has accomplished, as he started out independently when a lad of twelve years and has since provided for his own support. Working his way steadily upward, he has carefully and wisely utilized every chance that has come to him. His eyes have ever been upon the door of opportunity and as it has opened he has crossed the threshold, his will responsive to the chances that have appeared before him, and he has at all times stressed those qualities which are essential and salient factors in the attainment of honorable success. Mr. Moore's residence is at No. 2712 Glenwood avenue.

LEONARD PETER MAJEWSKI

Persistent labor has been the foundation of the substantial success that has come to Leonard Peter Majewski, who is now owner of a foundry in which he employs a considerable force of workmen. A native of Poland, he was born on the 27th of October, 1879, and is a son of Thomas and Rose Majewski, the father a laborer. The family crossed the Atlantic in 1881 and arrived in Toledo on the 17th of March of that year, so that Leonard P. Majewski, spending his youthful days in this city, attended the parochial schools. The necessity of providing for his own support, however, caused him at the age of twelve years to put aside his textbooks and start out to find work. He was employed in various ways that would yield him an honest living for a period of four years and then at the age of sixteen he began learning the moulder's trade. He thoroughly acquainted himself with work of that character while in the employ of others and in the course of years he had saved from his earnings, as the result of his industry and economy, a sufficient capital to enable him to establish a little business on his own account. This he did on the 11th of August, 1911, employing at first but one assistant. Something of the steady growth of his business is indicated in the fact that he now has seventeen employes and he owns his foundry, which is situated on a lot seventy-two by one hundred and eighty feet bordering the New York Central Railroad and between Lucas and Belmont avenues. He also owns several houses, from which he derives a substantial rental, having made judicious investment in real estate as his financial resources have increased.

On the 7th of October, 1902, Mr. Majewski was married to Miss Agnes Kantorczyk, a native of Poland, and they have become parents of five children: Aloysious, Helen, Stephania, Florence and Leonard, Jr. Mr. Majewski has spent practically his entire life in Toledo and his unremitting diligence and persistency of purpose have constituted the basic elements on which he has builded his success. Working earnestly day by day, he has advanced and his life record proves the force of industry and economy in conquering the difficulties and obstacles that bar the path to prosperity.

SAMUEL WESLEY HORTON

Samuel Wesley Horton, whose identification with business interests of Toledo covers a period of seven years, is a partner in the investment firm of Sidney Spitzer & Company. He was born at Fruit Ridge Farms in Lenawee county, Michigan, May 3, 1885, and is a son of George Byron and Amanda (Bradish) Horton. The father, until his death in 1922, was the owner of a large estate and devoted his attention to the management of his farm properties and public life of Michigan.

After completing his public school course Samuel Horton entered the State Agricultural College of Michigan, from which he was graduated in 1908. He then spent several years assisting his father in operating the farms, until in 1916 he came to Toledo, entered the employ of the firm of Sidney Spitzer & Company, dealers in municipal bonds, and in 1920 was taken into the partnership.

On the 26th of April, 1917, Mr. Horton was united in marriage to Lillian Torrence Sheldon, at Adrian, Michigan. They live at Maumee, Ohio, and are the parents of three sons: Samuel Wesley Jr., William Sheldon and George Byron.

FRED LEONHARDT

Fred Leonhardt, a native son of Toledo, has devoted his life to the automobile business, of which he has acquired an expert knowledge, and he is numbered among the most successful dealers in the city. He was born May 15, 1885, and his parents, Chris and Mary (Grau) Leonhardt, are of European birth. In early life they came to the United States, settling in Toledo, where the father engaged in tailoring. Mr. and Mrs. Leonhardt are still residing in this city. Five children have been born of their marriage: Albert, William, Mrs. Clara Nixon, Tillie and Fred.

Fred Leonhardt attended the public schools to the age of sixteen years, when he started out in life for himself and applied himself to learning the automobile business. He secured work with the Atwood Auto Company, which operated the first repair shop in Toledo, and remained in their employ for twelve years, during which period he became thoroughly conversant with the mechanical end of the business. He was ambitious to advance and in 1912 he opened a repair shop of his own, which he conducted independently for three years, when the Leonhardt & Deermeyer Auto Company was formed. This association was main-

tained until 1919, when Roy Geller was admitted to a partnership, and the business has been continued under the style of the Leonhardt-Geller Motor Sales Company, of which the subject of this review is the president and treasurer. They handle the Willys-Knight and Willys-Overland cars and are numbered among the leading automobile dealers of the city. Mr. Leonhardt has a comprehensive understanding of every phase of the business and in its control displays sound judgment, enterprise and executive ability. He is chary of promising and punctual in executing and in business circles of the city he has become recognized as a man to be trusted.

In Toledo, on the 21st of June, 1913, Mr. Leonhardt was married to Miss Eva Courtad, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Courtad of Carey, Ohio, and they have become the parents of four children: Rosemary, who was born in 1914 and is now a pupil in the public schools; Dorothy, who was born in 1916 and is also attending school; Alice, born in 1918; and Robert, who was born December 29, 1921.

Mr. Leonhardt is identified with the Masonic order. He is a member of the Toledo Automobile Club, the Lions Club and the Gyro Club and he gives his political support to the republican party because he believes that its principles will best conserve the interests of good government. His resolute spirit, energy and steadfastness of purpose have enabled him to conquer all obstacles and difficulties in his path and in the parlance of the day, he has "made good." His integrity has never been open to question and his genuine personal worth has gained him a high place in the esteem of those with whom he has been associated.

JOHN H. LLOYD

John H. Lloyd is one of the proprietors of the business conducted under the name of the Lloyd Brothers Company at Toledo, a monument and memorial business constituting one of the largest institutions of the kind in the country. Its main plant is located in this city, but branch establishments have been opened at Detroit and at Washington, D. C., and thus the trade is covering a wide territory.

John H. Lloyd was born in Maumee, Ohio, on the 18th of June, 1858, and is a son of Edward and Martha Lloyd. The father was a native of Radnor, Wales, while the mother's birth occurred in Hereford, England. They came to America in early life and both settled at Maumee, Ohio. The father had learned the stonecutter's trade in his native land and after coming to America was actively engaged at his trade up to the time of his death, which occurred in 1876. His widow survived him and departed this life in Toledo. In their family were seven children, only two of whom are living, John H. and Edward S., the latter a resident of Maumee, Ohio.

John H. Lloyd attended the public schools of Maumee, but at a very early age he put aside his textbooks and started to provide for his own support. He began learning the stonecutter's and carver's trade and in 1873 he started in business on his own account, and is now considered one of the most extensive builders of monuments and memorials in the United States. He has executed some very large contracts for monuments to noted personages and to a number of heroes of the World war. He has also been the builder of some famous mausoleums, one of these of note being the fine memorial to the Dodge brothers of Detroit, in

which the bodies of the prominent automobile manufacturers now rest. His business has steadily grown in volume and importance and is today one of the large commercial interests of Toledo, the main plant being situated in this city, while branch houses have been established at Detroit, Michigan, and at Washington, D. C., handling the trade for those localities, therefore, from a more central point.

In 1886 Mr. Lloyd was united in marriage to Miss Lucy C. Palmer of Toledo. They have two children: Ruth Lloyd, born in Toledo and educated at Sweet Briar College in Virginia; and Rachael, now Mrs. Hoyt S. Holton, who also attended Sweet Briar College and who by her marriage has become the mother of one son, Lloyd S. Holton.

Mr. Lloyd is a Mason of high standing, having reached the thirty-third degree in the consistory. He belongs also to the Rotary Club and to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and is interested in the projects and plans of these two organizations to advance civic standards and promote public welfare. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, but he has never sought nor desired office. He is popular, standing high with his fellow townsmen, and his example is indeed worthy of emulation, as it indicates what can be accomplished through persistency of purpose, intelligently directed. Beginning at the bottom he has worked his way upward in connection with the monument business, with every phase of which he is familiar, and his high efficiency has gained for him a most liberal patronage. His residence is at No. 407 Winthrop street.

CARL J. FISCHER

Carl J. Fischer, a member of the firm of Sidney Spitzer & Company, bond dealers, is one of the well known men in investment security circles of Toledo. He comes from a family which for nearly fifty years has been prominently identified with the commercial development and upbuilding of the city. He is one of Toledo's native sons, for he was born in this city, on the 4th of December, 1888, and his parents were Ignaz and Elizabeth (Reiger) Fischer, the former of European birth and the latter a native of Rochester, New York. In his youth the father came to the United States, first locating at Dayton, Ohio, while later he established his home in Toledo. He was a talented musician and in 1876 organized the Ignaz Fischer Music House, which he conducted successfully for forty-three years, gaining a position of leadership in this field. His demise occurred in 1920. The mother is still living. Mr. and Mrs. Fischer had a family of four children: Alpha, a resident of Toledo; Sister Mary Ursula, who is connected with Ursuline Academy of this city; Marie, who died in infancy; and Carl J.

In the acquirement of an education Carl J. Fischer attended the parochial and grammar schools of Toledo and the Central high school. He obtained a clerical position in the First National Bank of this city and remained with that institution until 1909, when he became connected with the bond and investment banking house of Spitzer and Company and was an employe of this firm for five years. He then left that firm and took a position with Sidney Spitzer & Company, investment bond dealers, as a bond salesman, keeping this position until four years ago, when he was admitted as a partner in this well known bond house.

Mr. Fischer was married in this city, on the 26th of February, 1916, to Miss Rebekah Colter, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Wilber Colter of Toledo. Mr.

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Fischer is a Roman Catholic in religious faith and he is also identified with the Knights of Columbus, in which he has taken the third degree. He is a member of the Toledo Commerce Club, and the Toledo Automobile Club, and his political support is given to the men and measures of the republican party. In all matters of citizenship he is loyal, progressive and public-spirited, and during the World war Mr. Fischer spent much of his time with the War Savings committee, at Washington, D. C., working under the direction of Frank A. Vanderlip of the United States treasury. Mr. Fischer has depended upon his own efforts for advancement and although not yet of middle age, his rapidly developing powers have placed him in a position of prominence in business circles of the city. His life has been an exemplary one in all respects and he is accorded the respect, confidence and esteem of those who have known him from boyhood to the present time.

CHARLES SUMNER HOLTON

For over a quarter of a century Charles Sumner Holton has been identified with business interests of Toledo and as vice president of the Merrill, Dodge & Jackson Company he has been largely instrumental in developing one of the most successful insurance agencies in the city. He was born at Crown Point, Indiana, October 10, 1871, of the marriage of Hiram S. and Gertrude E. (McDonald) Holton, the former a native of Stony Ridge, Canada, and the latter of Elmira, New York. Mrs. Holton's parents were pioneers of Indiana, settling near Crown Point, and in that city her marriage occurred. Mr. Holton engaged in merchandising at Crown Point and he afterward entered the employ of the United States government, becoming connected with the pension department at Washington, D. C. He was identified with the service for many years and following his retirement he removed to Chicago, where he resided until his demise, which occurred in 1905, when he was sixty-six years of age. The mother passed away in that city in 1921.

In the public schools of Indianapolis, Indiana, Charles S. Holton obtained his education and his initial business experience was acquired in the plant of the E. C. Atkins Saw Company at Chattanooga, Tennessee. In August, 1893, he arrived in Toledo and secured a position with the National Milling Company, with which he remained until 1895, when he engaged in the life insurance business, to which he has since devoted his attention. In 1897 he established the Holton & Clark Company, which was continued until 1905, when the business was absorbed by the Merrill, Dodge & Jackson Company, of which Mr. Holton was made vice president, and he has since filled that office. Broad experience and close study have given him a comprehensive knowledge of the business and his progressive methods and carefully formulated plans have contributed materially to the success of the undertaking. They sell all kinds of insurance, representing the most reliable companies in the field, and their business is one of the largest of this character in the city.

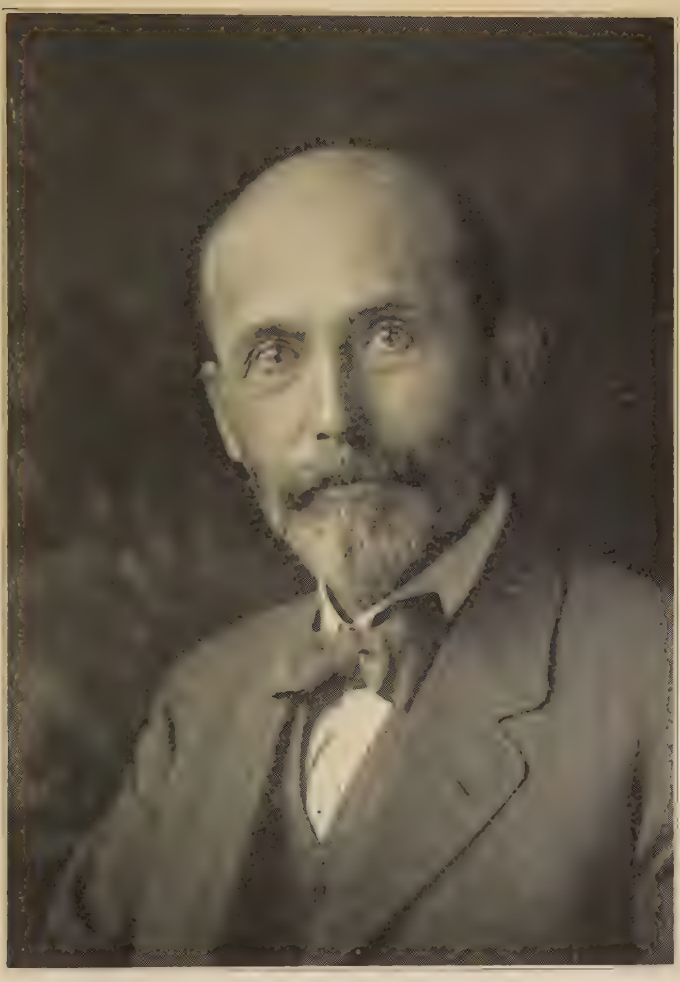
On the 25th of June, 1895, Mr. Holton was married to Miss Lillian Valentine of Toledo, a daughter of Frederick A. Valentine, who at the time of his death in 1902 had been for forty years in the service of the Lake Shore Railroad and was one of their most trusted employes. For the last fifteen years he was head ticket agent at the Union Depot in Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Holton have become the par-

ents of four children, two sons and two daughters: Hoyt S., the eldest in the family, was born February 19, 1896 in Toledo, and acquired his education in the public schools of this city. He married Miss Rachel M. Lloyd of Toledo, and they have a son, Lloyd Sumner Holton; Henrietta, now Mrs. Harlan C. Hickenlooper, was born in this city in 1900 and attended the local schools; Gertrude, who was born in 1907, is a pupil at the Scott high school; and John Valentine, born June 7, 1910, in Toledo, is a grammar school student. All are natives of Toledo and residents of the city.

The family are members of the First Congregational church of Toledo. Mr. Holton casts his ballot in support of the platform and candidates of the republican party. He is one of the charter members of the Kiwanis Club, of which he was the first vice president, and he is also connected with the Toledo Commerce Club and the Toledo Automobile Club. He belongs to Yondota blue lodge No. 572, and the Royal Arch chapter in Masonry and is likewise identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Holton was precinct captain of all the organized drives during the World war for the sale of Liberty bonds. The proud record of Toledo on these drives was due to the excellent work of the city's business men. Mr. Holton is a self-made man who has made good use of his opportunities and has steadily progressed, conducting his business interests carefully and wisely and manifesting an aptitude for successful management. His life has been an active and useful one, the expression of worthy purposes and high ideals, and Toledo numbers him among her leading business men and progressive citizens. Residence 35 Rosalind place.

THE HOME BUILDING AND SAVINGS COMPANY

The Home Building and Savings Company of Toledo is the monument to the enterprise and business ability of George E. Myers, who still remains the active secretary. For thirty-five years this company has figured in the financial and industrial circles of Toledo. It was founded by Mr. Myers, the secretary of the company, and from the beginning the growth has been of a most steady and substantial character. No savings association has ever accomplished more with a similar capital and in a given length of time than has this company, as indicated in its financial statement issued for the year ending January 31, 1922. It shows that the company paid the regular five per cent interest and dividends on its deposits and stock plus extra Christmas interest and a dividend of one-half per cent, and still had a balance of undivided profits for the year amounting to thirty-three thousand, eight hundred and thirty-four dollars—more than enough to raise the total year's interest and dividends to six per cent. The business has ever been managed along safe and conservative lines which, however, have not hampered progress, and during the thirty-five years of its existence the company has never drawn on its undivided profits fund to pay current dividends or interest and has never experienced a year when it failed to protect its depositors, while the reserve fund is left untouched save to meet contingent losses. The resources of the company were a little more than one million dollars in 1913 when a removal was made to the fine new building which they now occupy. Through the intervening period its running stock and deposits have increased fivefold. The property owned by the company at Broadway and Segur is worth at conservative valuation sixty



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thousand dollars. The business has been developed according to the most modern financial methods—methods that will bear the closest investigation and scrutiny —and the continued growth and success of the enterprise is attributable to the high degree of satisfaction felt by its patrons. Not only does the company have many clients in Toledo but draws its customers from all over the country, having probably a million and a half dollars invested in this way from Maine to California. Through this business many attractive homes in Toledo have been erected and the worth of the enterprise to the city can scarcely be overestimated. Mr. Myers has been back of the undertaking from the beginning and his long experience, his sound judgment, his financial foresight and his determination have been the salient features upon which the success of the company rests.

WILLIAM GRANT HENDERSON

To know when and where to use his powers and just what opportunities to embrace is often the salient feature which carries the successful man beyond his fellows and enables him to become a power in his chosen field. To this class belongs William G. Henderson, vice president and general superintendent of the Toledo Shipbuilding Company, whose constantly expanding powers have made him capable of controlling large affairs, the success of which depends upon clear vision and superior administrative ability.

William Grant Henderson was born in Aberdeenshire, Scotland, July 24, 1863, a son of John and Elizabeth (Watt) Henderson, who were also natives of that country. In 1867 they left the land of hills and heather and made their way to Canada, establishing their home at Lindsay, in the province of Ontario, where the father devoted his attention to the operation of a flour mill. He continued a resident of that place until 1885, when he crossed the border into the United States, settling at Detroit, Michigan, where he continued to live until called to his final rest. The mother's demise also occurred in that city. They were the parents of thirteen children, of whom eight survive: John, a resident of Rochester, New York; George, of Detroit; William G., of this review; Alexander and Charles, both of whom are living in Detroit; Mrs. Jane Thompson of San Francisco, California; Mrs. Mary Gillis, a resident of Toronto, Canada; and Elizabeth, of Detroit.

The grammar and high schools of Canada afforded William G. Henderson his educational opportunities and after laying aside his text-books he served a four years' apprenticeship to the machinist's trade at Lindsay, Ontario. Going to Port Hope, in that province, he entered the mechanical department of the Grand Trunk Railroad, with which he was connected until 1885, when he went to Detroit and for a year was in the employ of the Russell Wheel & Foundry Company. In 1886 he became identified with the Detroit Shipbuilding Company and continued in their service until 1905, working in various capacities and acquiring a comprehensive knowledge of the business. He then came to this city and in association with others organized the Toledo Shipbuilding Company, of which he was made general superintendent, and he is now filling the office of vice president as well. This has become one of the largest industrial enterprises of the kind in the country and much of its present success is attributable to the well directed efforts of Mr. Henderson, who displays marked ability and enterprise in the control of his business interests, re-

garding no detail as too unimportant to receive his attention, while the larger factors in his affairs are controlled with notable assurance and power.

At Port Hope, Ontario, Canada, on the 23d of December, 1884, Mr. Henderson was united in marriage to Miss Sarah Leonard, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Leonard, both of whom are deceased. Having no family of their own, Mr. and Mrs. Henderson have reared four adopted children, namely: Mrs. Walter L. Weaver, a resident of Toledo; Mrs. Florence Braun, who is living in Detroit, Michigan; Miss Katherine Marshall, deceased; and Arthur Leonard Marshall, who was graduated from the Scott high school of Toledo when seventeen years of age and is now a member of the class of 1923, Dartmouth College. The Henderson home is at 2234 Putnam street.

Mr. Henderson is a member of the Masonic fraternity. His religious faith is evidenced by his membership in the Collingwood avenue Presbyterian church. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and his civic spirit finds expression in his connection with the Chamber of Commerce and he is also a member of the Manufacturers Association. He is a self-made man who has fought and won in the great battle of life, focusing his energies in directions where fruition is certain. There is in his history an element of inspiration for others and an example of high purpose nobly achieved.

CARL S. PETERSEN

Leaving his native land in his youth, Carl Petersen has found many opportunities for advancement in the United States and through their wise utilization he has steadily progressed until he now ranks with the most substantial business men of Toledo. He has devoted his life to the meat business, of which he has gained an expert knowledge, and has become recognized as one of the leading dealers in this commodity in the city. A native of Germany, he was born April 11, 1887, and his parents were Siegfried and Margaret (Albertsen) Petersen, residents of central Germany, where the father engaged in farming. In their family were ten children: Neal and Peter, both of whom are living in Toledo; Julius, of Moneta, Iowa; Thomas, Sophie, Martha, Marie, Katherine and Hans, all of whom are residing in Germany; and Carl.

The last named acquired his education in his native land and when eighteen years of age he severed home ties and emigrated to the United States, making his way to Toledo, which has since been his home. He at once became connected with the meat business, to which he had served a three years' apprenticeship in Germany, and for a time worked for the Folger Packing Company, later becoming an employe in the Toledo branch of the Swift Packing Company. He was very successful as their representative and embarked in the business independently in 1908, starting with one horse and wagon. In the intervening years the enterprise has steadily grown, owing to his capable management and untiring efforts, and he is now conducting a large wholesale business in meats and produce. He has a large refrigerating plant, utilizing four trucks for delivery purposes and employing five men to assist him in operating the business, of which he is sole owner.

Mr. Petersen is a member of the Maumee River Yacht Club and fraternally is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is a self-made man who has taken cognizance of his opportunities, utilizing them to the best advan-

tage, and ability, industry and determination have brought him to a position of prominence in business circles of the city, to whose commercial prosperity he has contributed through his progressive spirit and executive ability.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM JAMES GORDON

Captain William James Gordon, who was widely known in marine circles, enjoyed the reputation of being one of the ablest captains on the Great Lakes. He was born in Burlington, Ontario, at the head of Lake Ontario, thirty miles from Toronto, on the 17th of August, 1844. He was a son of William and Rebecca (Abbott) Gordon, natives of Glasgow, Scotland. The father went to Canada when a young man and there continued to reside. William James Gordon acquired his education in the schools of Hamilton, Ontario, and was early attracted to the lakes, several of his ancestors having been seafaring men. Accordingly he became a sailor on one of the lake boats and his remaining days were devoted to sailing. His faithfulness, his industry and his perseverance won him promotion from time to time until he became captain of vessels and so continued throughout his remaining days. He always maintained order and discipline on his boats.

At Simcoe, Ontario, Captain Gordon was united in marriage to Emily Beacham and they became the parents of four children: Herbert, deceased; Robert Craig, a business man of Minneapolis; James Alexander of Detroit and Kalamazoo, Michigan; and Grace, living at home.

Captain Gordon's trips took him up and down the lakes and in 1873 he decided to take out naturalization papers, which he did at Chicago, thus becoming an American citizen. Toledo was often an important call for him and believing that the city had a great future before it and pleased with the advantages offered in many ways, he decided to establish his home here. This he did in 1890, settling in the south end, where the family remained for four years. In 1897 the family took up their abode on Acklin avenue and for a quarter of a century has remained within a radius of five blocks. Captain Gordon's boat was lost in a storm on the lakes on the 18th of May, 1896.

W. HARVEY VANSKIVER

Among the popular and successful automobile dealers of Toledo is numbered W. Harvey Vanskiver, manager of the Paige Ohio Company and an enterprising and aggressive business man to whom opportunity has even been the call to action. He was born in Columbiana county, Ohio, December 5, 1879, and his parents were Frank and Theresa (Weeden) Vanskiver, both natives of Meigs county. The father was a successful farmer, devoting his life to that occupation, and his death occurred in 1883. He is survived by the mother, who resides at Columbiana, Ohio. Of the three children born to Mr. and Mrs. Vanskiver the subject of this review is the only one living.

In the grammar and high schools of Columbiana, W. Harvey Vanskiver obtained his education and after laying aside his textbooks he served an apprenticeship to the machinist's trade in a shop at that place. For about ten years he followed

the trade and then embarked in business independently, opening a repair shop and garage at Columbiana. For three years he successfully conducted the undertaking and then sold the business, going to Paso Robles, California, where he engaged in prospecting for some time, also devoting his attention to the development of almond groves. After spending three years on the coast he returned to Ohio, locating at Youngstown, and from 1916 until 1919 engaged in selling Paige automobiles in that city. In the latter year he came to Toledo and is now serving as manager of the Paige Ohio Company, whose salesrooms are among the finest in this section of the state. The success of the company in this field is chiefly attributable to the untiring efforts of Mr. Vanskiver, who gives careful thought to all of the details of a business which in recent years has risen almost to the dignity of a profession, and the volume of sales is rapidly increasing.

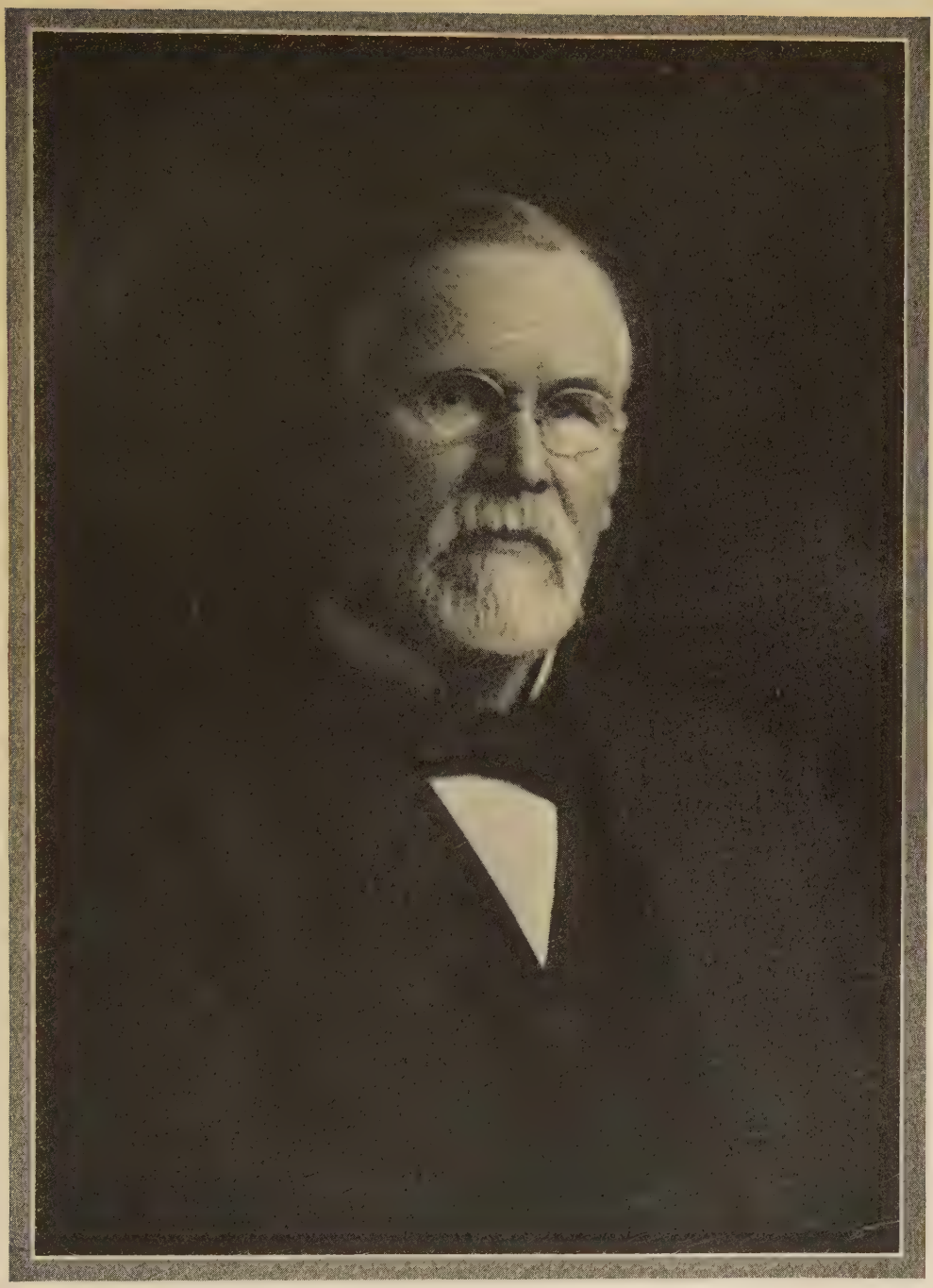
In Salem, Ohio, on the 23d of September, 1903, Mr. Vanskiver was married to Miss Jessie Belle Ford, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Ford, prominent residents of Salem. Mr. and Mrs. Vanskiver have one child, Ruth Elizabeth, who was born in Leetonia, Ohio, in 1910. Mr. Vanskiver is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and he has taken the council degree in Masonry. He is a member of the Toledo Auto Trades Association and the Toledo Commerce Club. He is liberally endowed with ambition, grit and good judgment and these are qualities which in all honorable vocations ultimately lead to victory. His personal qualities are those which make for enduring friendship and he loyally supports all those measures which are projected for the development and upbuilding of his city.

JEROME H. SMITH

Jerome H. Smith, deceased, a prominent figure in the confectionery industry for nearly half a century and founder of the Smith-Kirk Candy Company of Toledo, belonged to that class of business men in whose career there are no spectacular phases. However, he achieved success not only in the accumulation of worldly goods, but as well in leaving a good name and having lived a clean life marked by a strict devotion to his duty as husband, father and citizen.

Jerome H. Smith was born in Rochester, New York, February 17, 1845, of English parents, and was one of ten children, four of whom lived to maturity. His mother died when he was about eight years old and it was but a short time afterward that he began to earn his own living, first as a newsboy on the streets of Rochester, New York. Later he worked as a baker's boy. Thus early thrown on his own resources, he learned the necessity of saving more than he spent and for years kept a daily account of his earnings and expenditures. He took full advantage of his limited opportunities for an education, attending night school, reading the best literature obtainable and attending Shakespearian plays nightly when given in his town.

Mr. Smith first came to Toledo in 1869 as foreman of the old Worts, Kirk and Bigelow bakery, then located on St. Clair street, opposite what is now the Rivoli theatre. In 1875 he went to Cincinnati and a year or two later became a member of the firm of John J. Perkins & Company, wholesale grocers, bakers and confectioners. Retiring from that firm in 1890, he bought the Forster bakery, which he subsequently sold to the U. S. Baking Company, later the National Biscuit Company. Mr. Smith became interested in the National Biscuit Com-



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pany as a heavy stockholder and in 1892 returned to Toledo, where for a number of years he was manager of the Toledo unit of the National Biscuit Company. In 1902 he organized the Smith-Kirk Candy Company, becoming its president, and remained its executive head until January, 1919, when he relinquished active management of the business, becoming chairman of the board of directors.

He was married in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1882, to Miss Helen Ridlon of that city, a member of a prominent Ohio family. Mr. Smith passed away on August 26, 1919, leaving a widow and three sons and three daughters. The sons are: Derby R., who is mentioned elsewhere in this work; Hiram A., who is also referred to on another page; and Roger R., who is an official of the Smith-Kirk Candy Company. The daughters are: Mrs. Harry Daiber of Toledo; Mrs. Frank Kapp of Toledo; and Miss Lois Smith.

Mr. Smith belonged to the Masonic fraternity and in his political belief was a republican. He was a prominent member of the Ohio Confectioners Club and for a number of years was one of the officials of that organization. His greatest interest aside from the welfare of his family was his business. During business hours he was all business, but at home his time was given to his wife and children. His home life was ideal and there he found his greatest happiness and pleasure. He was modest and refined and always endeavored to rear his family by example. He was much interested in Toledo and had implicit confidence in the city's future. For a number of years he had owned a considerable tract of unimproved land in the west end of the city. He laid out Maplewood avenue and from there out to Whitney avenue, this property being known as the Cushing subdivision. Many of the stately elm trees and beautiful maples on the west side give evidence of his civic pride and forethought, for he planted them. For several years prior to his death Mr. Smith resided on the River road, near Perrysburg, and while he traveled to some extent in his latter years, he was always glad to get back to his home, the care and upkeep of which was his hobby. He was quiet and unostentatious in his charities, which were often unknown except to the recipients, and a worthy object seldom appealed to him in vain for aid. Mr. Smith was in his seventy-fifth year at the time of his death and was exceptionally vigorous for one of his age.

J. MARK BRICKER

Business development in Toledo has found stimulus in the efforts of J. Mark Bricker, vice president of the Home Building & Savings Association and one of the leading realtors of the city. He was born in Cuyahoga county, Ohio, August 14, 1857, a son of Nicholas and Susanna (Schuler) Bricker, both of whom were natives of Luxemburg. They came to the United States in the early '50s, settling in Ohio, and the father became well known in industrial circles of the state. He was an honored veteran of the Civil war, in which he served as a private, and was with General Sherman on his memorable march to the sea. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bicker are deceased, the former passing away in 1865.

J. Mark Bricker of this review attended the district schools of Berea, Ohio, and while a student in high school was under the instruction of Mr. Sprague. After his graduation he went to Cleveland, Ohio, where he resided for a time, and on the 15th of May, 1880, he came to Toledo. He became connected with

the Union News Company and for twenty-seven years had charge of the news stand at the Union Station, tendering his resignation in 1913 in order that he might enter the real estate business, with which he has since been identified. He has been very successful in this field and is now president of the South Side Building & Investment Company, vice president of the Home Building & Savings Association, and president of the South Side Realty Company. His judgment is rarely at fault concerning the value of real estate and its possible rise or diminution in price and his investments have been judiciously placed. He has negotiated many important realty transfers and conducts his operations on an extensive scale.

On the 10th of August, 1882, Mr. Bricker was married to Miss Fannie Jane Sullery, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sullery of Toledo, and they have become the parents of a daughter, Zoe, who is now the wife of Louis C. Gens, and they have two children: Mark Bricker and John Louis, both natives of Toledo. Mr. Gens is a veteran of both the Spanish-American and World wars and was a naval officer in the latter conflict, serving as lieutenant commander of the United States Battleship Indiana.

Mr. Bricker is identified with the Rubicon Lodge of Masons and is also a member of the Toledo Real Estate Board, while in politics he maintains an independent attitude in many instances yet in state and national issues is a stanch republican. He has transformed unsightly vacancies into attractive residential districts and his spirit of initiative and enterprise has constituted an important factor in Toledo's development. His home is at No. 1236 Broadway, where he has resided over thirty-five years.

LUCIAN GRANT MEDBURY

Lucian Grant Medbury, president and general manager of the Medbury-Ward Company, conducting an engraving business in Toledo, brought to the establishment of the present enterprise broad and thorough experience which he had obtained in Detroit, Michigan, where for a number of years he was employed along this line. Steadily he has developed and enlarged his interests until he is now at the head of a substantial business of this character and one which enjoys the reputation of turning out splendid work. Mr. Medbury is a native of Illinois, his birth having occurred in Kankakee, March 4, 1875, his parents being George Congdon and Emma (Grant) Medbury. The father, who largely devoted his life to the real estate business, has passed away. The son pursued a high school course in Kansas City, Missouri, and in early manhood learned the engraver's trade at Detroit, Michigan, where he remained from 1895 until 1903, being associated with an uncle in the Peninsular Engraving Company, in which he worked his way upward until he was made one of the directors. In 1903 he established a branch of this business in Toledo and was one of the directors and manager at this point until 1914, when he purchased a plant and organized the Medbury-Ward Company, of which he is president and general manager. In the meantime, as the manager for the Peninsular Company, he had developed a business of goodly proportions and this has further grown and increased under his wise control until he has now many patrons and furnishes employment to forty people.

On the 18th of August, 1905, Mr. Medbury was married to Miss Lillian Stratton

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of Toledo, who passed away on the 18th of December, 1918. Fraternally Mr. Medbury is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, while in Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and has become a member of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the Izaak Walton Fishing Club, the Toledo Club and the Toledo Yacht Club, associations which indicate much concerning the nature of his interests along recreational lines. He likewise has membership in the Chamber of Commerce and is a Rotarian. He was made chairman of the juvenile court branch of the Rotary Club, which takes care of boys who are brought before that judge, exemplifying the "big brother" idea in their relation to boys who need friendship, guidance and kindly advice and assistance that they may leave the paths of waywardness and enter upon a course that will bring them to good citizenship. In this work Mr. Medbury is keenly interested and is accomplishing excellent results.

ROLLIND O. HOLLOWAY

Rollind O. Holloway, a native son of Toledo, is a representative in both the paternal and maternal lines of well known and highly respected pioneer families of Lucas county. He has been identified with the bar of this city for the past five years and has already won a well established position in the ranks of his profession. He was born in this city May 28, 1892, a son of Otto W. and Ida (Hinkle) Holloway, the former a native of Ohio and the latter of Pennsylvania. The paternal greatgrandfather, Peter Holloway, was one of the earliest settlers of Lucas county, where he continued to make his home until his demise, which occurred when he had reached the advanced age of ninety-three years. His son, John P. Holloway, was one of the prominent residents of Lucas county, in which he successfully followed the occupation of farming, while he also engaged in teaching school. He likewise served as justice of the peace and continuously filled that office for twenty-five years prior to his death. His widow, Mrs. Mary Ann (Taylor) Holloway, is still a resident of Lucas county and has reached the age of eighty years. The maternal grandfather, Jacob Hinkle, was a native of Pennsylvania, and he also became a pioneer settler of Lucas county. Otto W. Holloway, the father of the subject of this review, devoted his active life to the building and contracting business in Toledo. The mother passed away in 1899. They were the parents of three children: John H., who is a successful educator and a member of the faculty of Purdue University of Indiana; Mrs. Edward Leneger of Clayton, Michigan; and Rollind O.

In the acquirement of an education Rollind O. Holloway attended the grammar and high schools of Monclova, Ohio, and then became a student at the Ohio Northern University at Ada, this state. He afterward took up educational work, teaching in the grammar schools of Bono, Ohio. Later he became superintendent of schools at Richfield, Ohio, in which capacity he served for five years, and he then entered the law department of the Ohio State University, from which he was graduated in 1917. Coming to Toledo, he began practice with the firm of Tracy, Chapman & Welles, with which he was associated until 1920, since which time he has been associated with Amos L. Conn, under the firm name of Conn & Holloway. His mind is analytical and logical in its trend and in his presentation of a case he is always fortified by a comprehensive understanding of the legal principles applicable thereto, while his arguments are logical and convincing. He

is well qualified to handle important litigated interests and is building up a good clientele, while he is also a director of a number of business enterprises.

At La Fayette, Indiana, on the 18th of March, 1913, Mr. Holloway was married to Miss Helen A. Ward, a daughter of Nathan and Amelia Ward, prominent residents of Monclova, Ohio, and they have become the parents of four children: Elaine F., who was born in Richfield, Ohio, in 1914; Imogene A., who was born in Columbus, Ohio, in 1916; John R., whose birth also occurred in Columbus, in 1918; and Norman D., who was born in this city in 1919.

Mr. Holloway gives his political allegiance to the republican party and his professional connections are with the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations, while he is also a member of the Lawyers Club. He is a worthy representative of an honored family name and in a profession which demands a keen intelligence and requires untiring effort he is steadily progressing, his pronounced ability and adherence to high ethical standards winning for him the confidence and respect of his fellow practitioners and of the general public.

JAMES E. CLARK

James E. Clark, president and treasurer of the Gould Specialty Manufacturing Company, occupies a prominent position in manufacturing circles of Toledo. Mr. Clark is a native of Brighton, Ontario. His parents were Jared O. and Mary E. Clark, who removed from Ontario to Flint, Michigan, and there James E. pursued his education until he became a high school graduate at that place. When at length his textbooks were put aside and his school training was regarded as finished he took up the more difficult lessons to be learned in the school of experience. Mr. Clark began his business career in the employ of W. C. Durant, who was later head of the General Motors Corporation, and Dallas Dort, today a well known automobile manufacturer, who were then conducting their interests under the name of the Flint Road Cart Company. He continued with that concern until he left to enter the office of W. A. Paterson, a carriage manufacturer, who at a later period, however, began the manufacture of the Paterson motor car. Mr. Clark's next business connection was that of secretary and sales manager with R. D. Scott & Company of Pontiac, Michigan, and following the destruction of their plant by fire he became associated with the Gould Specialty Manufacturing Company of Toledo. He now concentrates his efforts and attention upon this business and, acquiring more and more of the stock, he has become president and treasurer of the corporation. Their plant is devoted to the manufacture of boys' play suits, boys' overalls and ladies' aprons and house dresses. Their output is large and of excellent quality, while the reasonable prices and fair dealing of the house have all been important factors in the rapid and substantial growth of the company.

In Pontiac, Michigan, twenty-three years ago, Mr. Clark was united in marriage to Miss Myrta L. Farmer, a daughter of E. Farmer, who is now living in Holly, Michigan, at the advanced age of eighty-three years. Mr. and Mrs. Clark have become parents of two daughters and two sons: Marion, J. Edwin, Onnolee and Carl C. For fourteen years Mr. Clark has resided in Toledo and has come to be regarded as one of the city's valuable citizens whose activities have had a distinct bearing on its business and industrial life. He and his wife are members of St. John's Methodist Episcopal church and fraternally he is connected with the Masons

and with the Eastern Star. He has never sought nor filled political offices but at the time of the World war he did active service in connection with every Liberty Loan campaign and was accorded medals for the admirable results which he accomplished in that connection. He has ever been mindful of his public as well as his private duties and has given earnest and zealous support to all those projects which he deems of vital public worth.

ALONZO GRANT DUER

Alonzo Grant Duer, a leading member of the Toledo bar who has recently retired from the position of city solicitor, in which capacity he served for four years, is a native of Fredericksburg, Wayne county, this state, born January 22, 1874, being the only child of Alson Kent and Ellen Estella (Sowers) Duer. The father was a harnessmaker by trade and conducted a large business at Fredericksburg, employing several assistants. In 1874 he contracted diphtheria, passing away three days later, at which time his son, Alonzo G., was but six weeks old. Alson Kent Duer was a son of Jonathan and Lydia W. (Manley) Duer, whose family numbered thirteen children, and his father was one of a family of seventeen. The maternal grandparents were John William and Sarah (Robbins) Sowers and it is an interesting fact that both of the grandfathers of Alonzo G. Duer were of German lineage while his grandmothers were of English descent.

At the usual age A. G. Duer became a pupil in the public schools and in 1891 was graduated from the high school at Millersburg, Ohio. It was about this time that he determined to make the practice of law his life work and with that end in view he began studying, being admitted to the bar at Millersburg in 1895. There he entered into partnership with Henry P. Karch, under the firm style of Karch & Duer, a connection that was maintained until July, 1896, when Mr. Karch removed to Cincinnati and Mr. Duer came to Toledo. While in Millersburg he had filled the position of official court stenographer for Holmes county, Ohio.

Taking up his abode in Toledo, Mr. Duer entered into partnership relations with Judge Wellington Stilwell, with whom he was thus connected from 1896 until 1899, since which time he has practiced independently. He has enjoyed a large practice of important cases covering many departments of law, in all of which he seems well versed. From 1910 until 1914 under Mayor Whitlock, he occupied the position of assistant city solicitor and under Mayor Schreiber from 1918 until 1922. He is also the president and one of the directors of the Ohio Canvas Company, but the major part of his time and attention is concentrated upon his law practice and his devotion to his clients' interests is proverbial.

On the 21st of September, 1896, Mr. Duer was united in marriage to Miss Kittie Church of Millersburg, Ohio, a daughter of the late B. S. Church, who at one time was a prominent attorney of Coshocton county. It was in that county that Mrs. Duer was born and reared and she completed her education at Ada, Ohio, and in the Ohio Wesleyan University. By her marriage she has become the mother of a daughter, Margaret Ellen, born October 28, 1897, who on the 29th of December, 1919, became the wife of Frank L. Wolf of Toledo, general manager of the Ohio Canvas Company.

In politics Mr. Duer has always been a stalwart republican where state and

national policies are involved but at local elections casts an independent ballot. In his first presidential vote he supported William McKinley. He has been quite active in local politics and in the fall of 1909, during the municipal campaign in which nearly the entire independent ticket was elected, he took an active part, being chairman of the committee of the independents and also chairman of the permanent executive committee. In early life he belonged to the Methodist church but since coming to Toledo has united with the Memorial United Brethren church. Fraternally he is connected with Toledo Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; and Fort Meigs Chapter, R. A. M., while he also belongs to the Woodmen of the World and the American Insurance Union. His life has ever been actuated by high and honorable principles and the sterling worth of his character is attested by all with whom he has been associated, both in public and private life.

DeWITT FISHER

DeWitt Fisher, a prominent attorney of Toledo, was born in Ada, Ohio, May 28, 1883, a son of John S. and Mary A. (Greene) Fisher, the former a native of Bethany, Virginia, while the latter was born near Toronto, Canada, whence in early life she came to Ohio. The father was a well known physician and surgeon of Ada for many years. He passed away in Toledo in 1917, at the age of seventy-two years, survived by his wife, who still makes her home in this city. Their family numbered three children: Thaddeus W., who is deceased; Ilo B., now the wife of James L. Trotter; and DeWitt.

The last mentioned was a pupil in the public schools of Owosso, Michigan, and entered the study of law in the Toledo University and was graduated with the LL. B. degree in the class of 1912. Four years later he was appointed clerk of the invalid pension committee under General Sherwood and on the 1st of March, 1917, he was appointed clerk of the city court of Toledo. In 1918 he filled the position of secretary to Mayor Schreiber and continued to act in that capacity until 1922. Since 1912 he has also engaged in the general practice of law at various times and since the 1st of January, 1922, has been practicing with Cornell Schreiber.

On the 25th of August, 1913, Mr. Fisher was married to Miss Charlotte M. Witt of Buffalo, New York, and they have one child: Bernice E., born July 8, 1914.

BADGER CROSSWELL BOWEN

The city of Toledo is fortunate in being able to number among her citizens who stand out conspicuously, Badger C. Bowen, president of The Welles-Bowen Company. Mr. Bowen's broad vision, keen foresight and excellent judgment have been dominant factors in the development of one of the foremost real estate firms in the city, whose operations have reached immense proportions in residential subdivision development.

Badger Crosswell Bowen was born in Columbia, South Carolina, September 17, 1872, and comes from an old southern family. His parents, John Henry and Mary Dudley (Crosswell) Bowen, were both natives of that state, the latter being a granddaughter of the Rev. James Jenkins, who was one of the founders

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of the Methodist faith in South Carolina, under Wesley. John Henry Bowen was born in Sumter county, in 1824, and during the Civil war served as a captain under General Beauregard. After the war he resumed the life of a planter, later became permanently connected with transportation interests in South Carolina, with the old Wilmington & Augusta Railroad, now a part of the Atlantic Coast Line System, this association being maintained until his death, which occurred in 1893. His widow survived him many years, attaining the age of eighty, and passed away in April, 1920, at the old family home in Laurens, South Carolina. Their family numbered five children: James Jenkins; John Dudley; William Henry; Mary Gwynne; and Badger Crosswell.

Badger C. Bowen was reared in South Carolina and acquired his education in private schools of that state, later leaving there to enter the insurance business in Richmond, Virginia. He remained in that city about two and one-half years, then located in Newburgh, New York, in the insurance business, and later in Cleveland, Ohio, was similarly connected, until coming to Toledo in 1899, as manager of a publishing business.

In June, 1908, he became associated with William B. Welles, in forming The Welles-Bowen Company, of which Mr. Bowen has since been president. The extent and character of the operations of this company have had as much to do with the city's residential growth and development as those of any other Toledo real estate firm in the same period. They have developed many fine properties in this city, among them being "Parkside," "Westmoreland," "Fairmount Park," "Old Orchard" and "De Veaux Park." These properties embrace nearly three thousand city lots, which have been improved and beautified in every manner possible to add to their natural attractiveness. The Welles-Bowen Company is really in a class by itself in the thoroughness and completeness of the preparation and improvement of its properties.

Mr. Bowen's judgment in realty values is highly regarded and carries probably as much significance as that of any other man in Toledo, while the breadth of his vision and knowledge of potentialities in real estate matters have often been reflected in his operations. He is conceded to be a very able man in the control of his interests. He ranks with the leading realtors of Toledo and his influence is one of broadening activity and strength in the field in which he is operating. Among his many activities he is serving as a director of The Home Savings Bank, is a trustee of the Toledo Club, one of the early members of the Rotary Club, in the work of which he has always taken an active part, and is a member of the Country Club and of almost every civic organization.

At Dallas, Texas, on the 6th of April, 1904, Mr. Bowen married Miss Anna Louise Connor, a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Benson Glenn Connor, the former a prominent physician of that city. Mrs. Bowen is a graduate of Belmont College at Nashville, Tennessee, and in social and civic affairs of Toledo she takes an active and prominent part. She was one of the founders of the League for Teaching the Deaf and is a member of the Thalion Club, the Anti-Tuberculosis Society and other organizations. Mr. and Mrs. Bowen have become the parents of two sons: Badger Crosswell, who was born February 12, 1905, in Toledo, and is now attending Choate School, Wallingford, Connecticut; and William Dougherty, born March 16, 1908, in Toledo, who is also a student at Choate School, Wallingford, Connecticut.

Mr. Bowen was especially prominent in all war activities and served as vice chairman of the Liberty Loan committee for Toledo and Lucas county; also as vice

chairman in the War Chest campaign, devoting all of his best efforts to further the interests of his country at a most critical period in its history. He is a member of the State Planning Commission, and his political allegiance is given to the democratic party. Mr. Bowen is an enthusiastic out-of-doors sportsman and for some years has made annual visits with a party of friends to the Canadian big game country. He enjoys golf and spends as much time as possible on the Country Club links. His activities have touched the general interests of society to their betterment and in all movements affecting the welfare of his city he is quick to respond. A resident of Toledo for nearly twenty-five years, there is no one who has greater confidence in her future or more enthusiasm for her present than Mr. Bowen. The force of his personality, the keenness of his insight and the soundness of his judgment have brought him to a position of prominence in business circles of Toledo and his work has been of signal service and benefit in the upbuilding and development of the city, as well as in the promotion of his own fortunes.

Mr. Bowen's home, completed in 1923, is a striking example of Italian architecture and is one of the very handsome and unusual residences in the beautiful district of Westmoreland.

WILBER OWEN

Wilber Owen is the senior partner in the firm of Owen, Owen and Crampton, patent attorneys of Toledo. Born in Detroit, Michigan, on the 30th of June, 1873, he is a son of Charles W. and Belle J. (Allen) Owen. The father was a newspaper man, identified with the Coldwater Courier of Coldwater, Michigan, and other Michigan newspapers.

Wilber Owen obtained his education in the public schools of Lansing, and Coldwater, Michigan, and afterward continued his education in the George Washington University at Washington, D. C., where he was graduated in 1896 with the LL. B. degree, while in 1897 he received from his Alma Mater the Master of Laws degree. While in Washington he was connected with the Patent branch of the Government Printing Office. In October of 1897 he came to Toledo, where he has remained, and for four years thereafter he engaged in the general practice of law with success, but gradually his interests and activities centered upon patent law and since 1901 he has concentrated his efforts in that field. He is today a member of the firm of Owen, Owen and Crampton, his partners being his brother, Charles W. Owen, and Faust F. Crampton, and they are recognized leaders among the patent attorneys of the middle west. Their business is of an important character, demanding not only a comprehensive knowledge of the principles of jurisprudence applicable to their special line of work but also a knowledge of the various technical subjects involved in the patent cases under their charge. They have been connected with notable cases in this particular and their clientage is now extensive and important. In addition to his professional interests Mr. Owen is a director of The Libbey Glass Manufacturing Company and of The Fifty Associates Company and a member of the executive committee of the latter.

In Adrian, Michigan, on the 23d of February, 1900, Mr. Owen was married to Miss Ida E. Weden. They are members of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church, in the work of which they take an active and helpful interest. Mr. Owen having served as one of the deacons and elders of the church. His con-

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nections outside of his profession are varied and indicate clearly the nature of his interests and the rules that govern his conduct. Aside from his association with the church he is a Mason, holding membership in lodge, chapter and council. He is a past president of the Toledo Rotary Club, is a member of the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club, the Toledo Kennel Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He is popular in these organizations by reason of his genial disposition and unfeigned cordiality. He is the author of "Owen's Law Quizzer," published by the West Publishing Company and now in its fourth edition. This book was written soon after he located in Toledo and, as he says, while he was waiting for clients. It is very popular with law students throughout the country. Mr. Owen's residence is at No. 2364 Robinwood avenue.

WILLIAM PARMAN

To promote and project a successful mercantile enterprise requires a man with marked powers of organization and executive control. To this class belongs William Parman, who has devoted forty-three years to the dry goods business, and he now ranks with the leading merchants of Toledo. His birth occurred in Ottawa county, Ohio, on the 15th of January, 1862, and his parents were Christian and Hannah Parman, both of whom were of European birth and came to the United States in early life. The father devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits and remained a resident of Ottawa county until his demise. The mother has reached the advanced age of eighty-nine years. Their family numbered eight children: John, who is living at Rockyridge, Ohio; Herman, of Toledo; August, whose home is in Ottawa county; Christian, a resident of Lorain, Ohio; Mrs. Allie Peters of Toledo; Mrs. Anna Roloff, who lives in Ottawa county; Mrs. Carrie Newmeister of North Amherst, Ohio; and William, the subject of this review.

William Parman acquired his education in the schools of Ottawa county, Ohio, and when seventeen years of age he became connected with the business which was to be his life work. He secured a clerical position in a dry goods store at Elmore, Ohio, where he remained for nine years, and spent the next seven years in the employ of Joseph Munch, a well known dry goods merchant of East Toledo. In 1901 he entered the men's furnishings and dry goods business on his own account, organizing the Parman & Heinze Company, of which he has since been a member and their establishment, which is located at Nos. 1512-14 Cherry street, is one of the largest stores of the kind outside of the down town section of the city. They have a large stock of high grade merchandise and employ about ten clerks in the conduct of their business, which is operated along the most modern and progressive lines. They have always regarded satisfied patrons as the best advertisement and their strict integrity and honorable, straightforward dealing have won for them the confidence and support of the public.

On June 29, 1892, Mr. Parman married Miss Louise Fink, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fink of this city, and they have become the parents of two sons, of whom Clarence J. Parman is the elder. He was born September 1, 1896, and was graduated from the Central high school of Toledo, after which he completed a course in an architectural school at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He is now engaged in business as an architect, maintaining offices in the Nicholas building at Toledo, Ohio, and has gained high standing in his profession. He married Miss

Lucille Elton of Toledo, and they have two daughters: Jean Edna and Phyllis Louise. Howard R. Parman was born July 15, 1898, and after his graduation from the Scott high school of this city he took up the study of chemistry in the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. He is now connected with the Libbey Glass Manufacturing Company of Toledo. During the World war he spent six months in the service of his country as a member of an Ohio company.

Mr. William Parman reserves the right to vote according to the dictates of his judgment, and where matters of progressive citizenship are concerned his support is never found wanting. He is a member of the Toledo Commerce and Toledo Automobile clubs and is also identified with the Modern Woodmen of America. With industry and determination as dominant qualities Mr. Parman has made steady progress in the business world, advancing from a humble financial position until he now ranks with Toledo's representative merchants and self-made men, and none can grudge him his success, so worthily has it been won.

FRED W. HAIGH

Fred W. Haigh, a member of one of the old and prominent families of Toledo, has depended upon his own resources for a livelihood from an early age and his enterprise and ability have brought him steadily to the front in his chosen line of activity. He is at the head of one of the leading printing establishments in the city and for thirty-six years has controlled this business, which has kept pace with the growth and development of Toledo. He was born at Bryan, Ohio, May 11, 1868, and his parents, James and Elizabeth (Bigger) Haigh, were natives of Indiana. Shortly after their marriage they came to Ohio, settling in Toledo, and the father became well known in business circles of the city as a member of the Castner & Haigh Insurance Company, with which he was connected for many years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Haigh are now deceased.

Fred W. Haigh attended the public schools of Toledo to the age of thirteen years, when he began learning the printer's trade, and after completing his apprenticeship he continued in the business, working for others until he reached the age of eighteen, when his ambition led him to embark in an independent venture. Since 1886 he has engaged in the printing, engraving and book-binding business and as the years have passed he has gradually expanded his interests until he is now the owner of one of the largest and oldest enterprises of this nature in the city, having about twenty-five employes. He has devoted his life to the printing business, of which he has gained an expert knowledge, and his plant is supplied with the most modern equipment, thus enabling him to turn out work of the highest grade.

In 1893 Mr. Haigh was united in marriage to Miss Anna M. Stiles, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Stiles of Monroe, Michigan, and they have become the parents of a son, Frederick Dwight, who was born in Toledo, November 14, 1900. He was graduated from the Scott high school of this city and is now attending Dartmouth College.

Where national issues are involved Mr. Haigh gives his political support to the republican party but casts an independent local ballot, voting for the candidate whom he deems best fitted for office. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and is also identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. From the age of thirteen years his life has

been one of unremitting industry and along the path of opportunity open to all he has reached the goal of notable success. With the development and upbuilding of Toledo he has long been closely associated and in the conduct of his business affairs he has displayed that spirit of enterprise which works for individual success and also constitutes a factor in public prosperity.

JUDD RICHARDSON

Judd Richardson, the president of The Judd Richardson Company of Toledo, in which connection he is extensively engaged in the insurance and real estate business, was born in Peninsula, Summit county, Ohio, March 30, 1865, and was brought to Toledo in December, 1866, by his parents, Ira A. and Angeline (Shields) Richardson. The father was born in Northfield, Summit county, February 14, 1837, and in young manhood he married Angeline Shields of Boston township, Summit county, who was born in 1843. In 1866 they established their home in Toledo and Mr. Richardson turned his attention to the conduct of an insurance and real estate agency, which has since been in existence and is now known as The Judd Richardson Company. With this enterprise the father is still connected, being now vice president of the company. He is without doubt the oldest insurance man in this city. He belongs to Toledo Lodge, No. 144, F. & A. M., which he joined in January, 1867, and he is also a member of Fort Meigs Chapter, R. A. M., and Toledo Council, R. & S. M. He served on the executive committee of the Masonic bodies of Toledo for twenty-two consecutive years and for several years he was superintendent of the Platt Mission, a branch of the First Baptist church. During his superintendency he purchased the building in order to save the work, moving the building from Irving street, near Ashland avenue, to the corner of Prescott and Fulton streets. From this mission grew the Ashland Avenue Baptist church, now located at the corner of Ashland and Woodruff avenues. In 1887 he was called upon to mourn the loss of his wife, who passed away on the 10th of January of that year. She was a very active member of the First Baptist church and also an earnest worker in the Platt Mission. She was, moreover, an ideal mother of a most lovable character and a kindly friend to the poor and needy.

Judd Richardson was educated in the Toledo public schools, from which he was graduated with the class of 1883, and following the completion of his course he became associated with his father in the insurance and real estate business and has since devoted his time and attention thereto. He succeeded his father in 1910 and in 1920 incorporated the business under the present name, becoming the chief executive head of the enterprise. He has since served as president, with his son, Dorman E. Richardson, as the secretary.

It was on the 26th of March, 1890, in Toledo, that Judd Richardson was united in marriage to Miss Mary Louisa Rood, a daughter of Emmor Alonzo and Sarah (Dorman) Rood of Toledo, Ohio. They have one son, Dorman Emmor, who was educated in the Toledo public and high schools and in Denison University and throughout his business career has been identified with his father. He enlisted for service with the Sanitary Engineers during the World war and was in the Engineering Division in the government camps of the south, doing active duty as a sanitary engineer, especially in connection with swamp drainage. He was discharged with the rank of sergeant and had been endorsed for a commission as lieutenant

at the time the armistice was signed. He married Ruth Anderson Eldridge of Franklin, Ohio, on the 14th of June, 1920.

Politically Mr. Richardson has always been a stanch republican and at one time served as police commissioner of Toledo. Fraternally he is connected with the National Union and with the Modern Woodmen. He also belongs to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Real Estate Board, the Toledo Fire Underwriters' Association and the Toledo Museum of Art. He is an active member of the Ashland Avenue Baptist church, with which his parents were closely connected during its mission days, and he is also identified with the Young Men's Christian Association. Through the above connections is indicated the scope of his activity and the worth of his work. His aid and influence are ever given on the side of progress and improvement and his entire career has been permeated by a desire that his activity shall be of service and benefit to his fellowmen. He has held to advanced principles and his life has ever been the expression of the highest standards of citizenship.

WILLIAM BUELL WELLES

Moving ever forward in business to his objective, William Buell Welles has reached a creditable and enviable position in real estate and insurance circles in Toledo as the secretary and treasurer of the Welles-Bowen Company. He is a native son of this city, born March 30, 1878. His father, General George E. Welles, also a native of Ohio, was born in Elyria, July 4, 1840, and entered upon his business career when a lad of but fourteen years as clerk in a drug store. He established his home in Toledo in 1859 and accepted a clerkship in the wholesale house of West & Truax, with which he remained until he joined the army for service in the Civil war. It is few men who possess the soldierly qualities, the perseverance, the determination and the spirit of patriotism and loyalty which carried George E. Welles from the ranks to the position of brigadier general. He enlisted April 14, 1861, as a private in Company E, of the Fourteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, which was then being organized in Toledo. Before his regiment was sent to the front he was appointed first lieutenant and detailed for duty with the paymaster general of this state. He served during a three months' term of enlistment in that connection and after being mustered out on the 3d of August, 1861, he returned to Ohio. On the 29th of October, following, however, he received a commission from the governor as first lieutenant and adjutant of the Sixty-eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, which he assisted in raising. Early in January, 1862, his regiment joined the army of General Grant, then operating on the Cumberland river in Tennessee. Mr. Welles led his troops in many of the famous engagements of that long and sanguinary conflict, winning promotion at different periods until in January, 1865, he was given a full commission as colonel and on the 16th of March, 1865, a few weeks before the end of the war, he was brevetted brigadier general for "gallant and meritorious conduct." In few instances did so young a volunteer soldier receive such rapid and important promotion and each advance step in his military career was made solely upon merit. Throughout the army of the Tennessee he became known as "the boy colonel" and Major General Leggett, his division commander, said of him: "That boy never made a mistake." A contemporary biographer writing of his military history said: "His service led him

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into some of the hottest fighting and most protracted campaigns of the war. The record beginning at Fort Donelson was continued in the advance up the Tennessee and Cumberland rivers, embracing the battle of Shiloh, the siege of Corinth, the operations around Vicksburg, including the battle of Champion Hill and the siege and capture of that Mississippi stronghold. After the campaigns and battles from Chattanooga to Atlanta, from Atlanta he and his regiment followed Sherman on the march to the sea, went from Savannah north to the Carolinas, and were a part of Sherman's army present at the surrender of the last great fragment of the Confederate army, the troops under Joseph E. Johnston. Some weeks later General Welles led his regiment in the Grand Review at Washington, then proceeded with it to Louisville, Kentucky, where on July 10, 1865, his faithful followers were finally mustered out and given their honorable discharge. In one of the great battles around Atlanta, General Welles was severely wounded. In the same engagements the gallant General McPherson was killed, and the regiment of Colonel Welles was close by when that intrepid leader fell. In that fight the cool judgment and prompt action of Colonel Welles succeeded in extricating his regiment, when almost surrounded by Confederates, and placing it in a position where it continued an effective fighting unit. This splendid handling of his troops brought him high compliments from his superior officers."

After receiving his discharge General Welles returned to northwestern Ohio and was appointed assistant postmaster of Toledo. He also engaged in business for a time with A. W. Colton & Company in the grain and shipping trade and afterward was associated with his brother, A. K. Welles, in the grain business under the firm style of Welles Brothers. From President Grant he received appointment to the position of assessor of internal revenue and continued to act in that capacity until the office was discontinued. In 1887 he was called to Duluth, Minnesota, where he became secretary of the board of trade, but in 1894 he once more took up his abode in Toledo and for several years was local representative of the New York Life Insurance Company. He also served as deputy county clerk under two administrations, but was compelled to retire from public life in 1903 on account of ill health, and he passed away on the 27th of April, 1906.

We again quote from a former biographer who said: "General Welles was one of the most substantial citizens of Toledo. His interests included a number of business enterprises, and every duty of a public nature he discharged with singular fidelity and straightforwardness of purpose. He was distinguished by a great modesty and courtesy of demeanor and a gentleness of disposition which made him greatly beloved among his wide circle of friends. It is said that General Welles never showed the slightest propensity to boast of his army record. In fact, it required considerable questioning to draw him out on that subject, and many of his later day acquaintances never realized that he was one of the most brilliant soldiers northwestern Ohio had furnished to the Union army. He took a prominent part in Masonic circles and was also an active member of the Grand Army of the Republic."

On the 24th of May, 1877, General Welles wedded Miss Julia Smith, a native of Toledo and a daughter of Denison B. Smith and a granddaughter of General John E. Hunt, one of the distinguished pioneers of northwestern Ohio, having located in Maumee in 1816, while later he removed to Toledo. Mrs. Welles died in this city November 26, 1911, more than five years after the death of her distinguished husband. She was an active member of the Trinity Episcopal church and greatly interested in all work for the general good. General and Mrs. Welles had

two sons, the younger being George D., a prominent member of the Toledo bar, practicing with the firm of Tracy, Chapman & Welles, who is mentioned at length elsewhere in this work.

The elder son, William Buell Welles, now of the real estate and insurance firm, operating under the name of the Welles-Bowen Company, pursued a public school education and when eighteen years of age was graduated from the Central high school with the class of 1896. He then made his initial step in the business world and spent eight years in the employ of the Bostwick-Braun Company, wholesale and retail hardware dealers of this city, representing the company on the road in Michigan for three years. For two years he traveled through Indiana and Ohio for the Van Camp Hardware Company of Indianapolis and then returned to Toledo, where he became manager of the retail department of the Star Hardware Company, a position which he occupied for two years. On the expiration of that period he turned his attention to the general insurance business and today he not only handles all kinds of insurance but also casualty and security bonds and in addition conducts a real estate business. For a time he was alone but in June, 1908, he was joined by Badger C. Bowen in organizing the Welles-Bowen Company. They have built up a business in their line scarcely equaled by that of other firms in the city. The extent and character of the operations of this company have had as much to do with the city's residential growth and development as those of any other Toledo real estate firm in the same period. Through the real estate department they handle only their own property and they organized the Parkside Realty Company, which owned four hundred lots on West Bancroft street in one of the best residential sections of the city. This was platted and put on the market in April, 1915, and at the end of a year fully three-fourths of the lots had been sold. The company also platted the Westmoreland addition on West Bancroft, containing three hundred and twenty-three lots and this was put upon the market in the spring of 1916. They have continued most active in the real estate and insurance fields and Mr. Welles is also a director and secretary of the Parkside Realty Company, a director and secretary of the Ottawa Park Realty Company, secretary and treasurer of the Welles-Bowen Company and a director of the Court Realty Company.

On the 3d of October, 1911, Mr. Welles married Miss Henrietta M. Gossman, a daughter of Frederick Gossman, and they have a daughter, Julia. Mr. Welles belongs to the Masonic lodge and chapter, and is a companion in the Military Order of The Loyal Legion. He is also a member of the Toledo Club, the Toledo Commerce Club, and the Toledo Yacht Club, and is prominent and popular in business and social circles and through all public connections. Practically his entire life has here been passed and the circle of his friends is almost coextensive with the circle of his acquaintance. Mr. Bowen's residence is at No. 2005 Mount Vernon avenue, Westmoreland.

JULIAN HOWARD TYLER

Julian Howard Tyler, a representative of the Toledo bar and a member of the city board of education, was born in Napoleon, Ohio, January 2, 1862, his parents being Justin Howard and Hattie M. (Peck) Tyler. In both the paternal and maternal lines he is a representative of old New England families. Through the mother he is a descendant of Samuel Peck, who was one of the signers of the con-

stitution of the New Haven (Conn.) colony and became the first secretary of that colony. In the paternal line he is descended from Job Tyler, who arrived in America in 1669, settling in New England. One of the family was Judge Royal Tyler, who became chief justice of the supreme court of Vermont.

Graduating from the high school of Napoleon, Julian Howard Tyler afterward entered the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor and was there graduated on the completion of a classical course, receiving his A. B. degree in 1884. He pursued the study of law in his father's office and in 1886 was admitted to practice. He entered upon the active work of the profession at Napoleon, where he remained for five years and in 1891 he came to Toledo. For four years he was assistant city solicitor of Toledo and afterward was elected judge of the court of common pleas, sitting upon the bench for four years. He is a member of the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations.

On the 2d of November, 1887, Mr. Tyler was married to Miss Lillie B. Heller of Napoleon, daughter of Samuel L. Heller. He is a member of the Psi Upsilon fraternity, of the Masonic order and of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is also identified with the Toledo Club, the Country Club and the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. His recognition of public duty and obligation has led him to accept membership on the board of education, and on January 1, 1924, he will have completed ten years of service.

OSIRIS B. RANDOLPH, M. D.

Dr. Osiris B. Randolph, who since 1902 has been engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery in Toledo, was born in this city on the 30th of March, 1874, and is a son of P. B. and Kate (Corson) Randolph, who were natives of Virginia and of Indiana, respectively. The father removed to the latter state in young manhood and became a well known physician and surgeon there, while later he followed his profession in Toledo for many years, his death occurring in this city in 1875. The mother yet makes her home in Toledo.

Osiris B. Randolph, an only child, attended the grade schools of this city and continued his education in the Central high school, after which he decided upon the practice of medicine as a life work and in preparation therefor entered the Toledo College of Medicine, from which he was graduated in 1898. He afterward became interne in several New York hospitals, in which he remained for a number of years, and in his hospital practice gained that broad experience which is so valuable and which can never be acquired so quickly and thoroughly in any other way as in hospital work. In 1902 he returned to Toledo, where he has since built up a large practice, specializing in surgery. He has taken postgraduate work in all the leading surgical centers of the country and is thoroughly abreast with the most advanced methods of America's eminent surgeons. His position is a most creditable one and his practice is now extensive. He belongs to the Toledo Academy of Medicine, the Lucas County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Association and the American Medical Association.

Dr. Randolph has two daughters, Kathryn and Josephine, who were born in Toledo and were educated in the schools of this city. Dr. Randolph is a Mason of high rank, belonging to the consistory and to the commandery, and he has always been a loyal follower of the teachings and purposes of the craft. In a calling where

advancement depends entirely upon individual merit and ability he has worked his way steadily upward and his course has at all times commanded the respect of his professional brethren as well as of the general public.

DAVID THOMAS DAVIES

Starting out in the world when a boy of fourteen years, empty-handed and with no capital save ambition and determination, David T. Davies has never feared that laborious attention to business which must precede ascendancy. The years have chronicled his steady progress and he is now numbered among the successful business men of Toledo. He was born at Hubbard, Ohio, May 3, 1868, and his parents were David T. and Martha (Williams) Davies, both of whom were natives of Wales. In early life they came to the United States, establishing their home at Hubbard, Ohio, in 1864. There the father devoted his attention to the operation of a steel mill, later going to Brookfield, Ohio, where he conducted a general store, and subsequently he removed to Youngstown, this state, where he was employed as superintendent of the Valley Rolling Mills. Eventually he came to Toledo, where he engaged in the same line of business until 1900, when he retired from active life. He met an accidental death, in 1908, being struck by one of the cars of the Lake Shore Electric Railroad while attempting to cross its tracks. The mother passed away in this city on the 4th of March, 1904. They were the parents of thirteen children, eight sons and five daughters.

David T. Davies attended the public schools of Youngstown, Ohio, to the age of fourteen years when he became a wage earner, obtaining employment in the rolling mills of that city, with which he was connected from 1882 until 1889. In the latter year he accompanied his parents on their removal to Toledo and was variously employed until 1895, when he became a clerk in the city auditor's office, continuing to fill that position until 1898. He then was appointed the first clerk of the city courts, which were organized by him. He served most acceptably in that capacity until 1903, when he was chosen county auditor, and for six years was the incumbent in that office. In that year he was the nominee of his party for mayor of Toledo, but met defeat at the polls. In 1910 he was made manager for the Firestone Tire Company, acting as general distributor of its tires in this locality until 1920, when he joined his brother in the real estate business, and was manager of the insurance department of The Thomas Davies Realty Company, of which he is one of the partners. The business was organized by Thomas Davies in 1918 and was developed into one of the largest undertakings of its kind in the city. The firm specialized in business properties, also handled insurance and loans. This company closed one of the largest leasehold contracts ever taken over in Toledo, which called for over one and a half million dollars. The Woolworth Company of New York city effected a deal through the Davies company by which they are to pay a gross rental of ninety thousand dollars per year for the southeast corner of Superior and Adams streets. Mr. Davies, in 1922, disposed of his interests in The Thomas Davies Realty Company, and established The D. T. Davies Insurance Company, with offices at No. 237 St. Clair street.

On the 3d of May, 1899, David T. Davies married Miss Lucy Krieger, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Krieger of this city, and they have become the

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parents of a son, David T. (III), who was born March 28, 1904, and is now in the senior class of the Waite high school.

Mr. Davies is a Knights Templar Mason and is serving as vice president of the Zoological Society of Toledo. He is a popular clubman, having membership with the Kiwanis, Maumee River Yacht, Toledo Commerce and East Side Commerce clubs, and of the last named organization he is vice president and one of the directors. He is a prominent member of the Elks. Mr. Davies is a self-made man whom Toledo regards as a most valuable citizen, for he has made wise use of his time, talents and opportunities and has always been an advocate of progressive development. Mr. Davies is one of the city's well known men whose friends are coextensive with his acquaintance. For a number of years he lived on the east side, where the many warm friendships and delightful acquaintances the family enjoys make him loth to call any other part of the city his home, even though his permanent residence is on Ten Mile Creek, Shoreland avenue, and is one of Toledo's attractive suburban homes.

EDWARD PATRICK FARRELL

Edward P. Farrell, one of the leading representatives of commercial activity in Toledo, has devoted his life to the furniture business and for nearly three decades he has figured prominently in industrial circles of the city, owing to his skill as a craftsman and his thorough knowledge of the trade. He was born in Almont, Canada, July 15, 1868, of the marriage of William Thomas and Elizabeth (Sabraugh) Farrell, also natives of that country. The father devoted his active life to the furniture business and accumulated a substantial competence which now enables him to live retired. The mother has passed away. They were the parents of ten children, six of whom survive, namely: John Augustus, a resident of Lawrence, Massachusetts; William Alexander, of Youngstown, Ohio; James Arthur, whose home is in Cincinnati, this state; Edward Patrick and Dominick Joseph, both of this city; and Ambrose Daniel, of Elyria, Ohio.

Edward Patrick Farrell acquired his public school education in Canada and afterward learned the upholsterer's trade under the able supervision of his father, with whom he was associated in business until 1884. In that year he came to Toledo and secured a position with the Gendron Wheel Company, with which he remained for two years. Lured by the west, he started for the Pacific coast, with San Francisco as his destination, but as his funds were very limited he found it an exceedingly difficult matter to carry out his desire. On reaching St. Louis, Missouri, he approached a locomotive engineer who was making preparation to start on his run and asked him how he could reach San Francisco without money. The engineer decided to assist Mr. Farrell and allowed him to ride in the locomotive cab to Sedalia, Missouri, afterward taking him to his home in that city, where he remained for several weeks, when he was turned over to another engineer who was operating on a western line. In this manner he managed to reach his destination in about six weeks and on arriving in San Francisco the last engineer with whom he had traveled returned to Mr. Farrell the silver watch which he had offered as a pledge to the first railroad employe who had assisted him on his journey. He had no difficulty in securing a position and entered the employ of the Wakefield Rattan Company, but at the end of four weeks became homesick and was trans-

ferred by the firm to their branch establishment at Chicago, Illinois, returning to the east at their expense. After working for a short time in that city he was appointed an instructor at the Joliet, Illinois, penitentiary, by Warden McClaughry, and remained there for about six months, when he accompanied the warden on his removal to Central Prison of Pennsylvania. Mr. Farrell was connected with that institution for a year and then returned to Toledo, reentering the service of the Gendron Wheel Company, with which he was identified for two years. In 1893 he established a business of his own, engaging in the manufacture of high grade rattan furniture until 1914, when he was obliged to discontinue his activities along that line, owing to the fact that he was unable to secure reeds, which were being used by the government in making airplanes for the World war. Mr. Farrell has since concentrated his attention upon the upholstering of fine furniture and has built up a large business in the city, while he also receives many orders from outside points. He is an expert at his trade and his work represents the highest degree of efficiency in his line.

On the 14th of June, 1892, Mr. Farrell was married to Miss Maude A. Baxter, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Baxter, well known residents of this city. They had four children but lost the eldest, Mrs. Mark Finch. She was born in 1893 and died April 5, 1921, leaving three children, Helen, Mark, Jr., and Virginia Finch; the second daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Wright, was born in 1896 and acquired her education in the public schools of the city; Earl P. Farrell was born in 1898, attended the Toledo schools and is now associated with his father in business. He married Miss Vera Powers of this city; Howard Edward Farrell, the youngest member of the family, was born in 1900 and since his graduation from high school he has been connected with the business conducted by his father.

Mr. Farrell is identified with the Loyal Order of Moose and is also a member of the Toledo Automobile Club. He had no advantages to aid him at the outset of his career, but realized that energy, determination and honest dealing are indispensable concomitants in the attainment of prosperity. Through the employment of these agencies he has steadily advanced and his history proves that success and an honored name may be won simultaneously.

WILLIAM KULP TERRY

William Kulp Terry, head of the bond house of William K. Terry and Company, is one of the best known bond dealers in Toledo. He was born in Muscatine, Iowa, November 1, 1871, and his parents were O. Scott and Margaret (Bremner) Terry, both of whom were natives of the state of New York. Soon after their marriage they removed to the west, locating in Muscatine, Iowa, where the father established a jewelry store. This he successfully conducted until 1880, when he came to Toledo, and in association with his brother, T. B. Terry, engaged in the cutlery business. They built up a large trade and for many years were numbered among the leading business men of Toledo. Both Mr. and Mrs. Terry passed away in this city and of their family of six children, five are living: Fred, Edward, Jennie, Daisy and William K., all of whom are residents of Toledo.

After completing his public school course William Kulp Terry attended a preparatory school in Pennsylvania and then took up the study of law, first reading under Mr. Wilson, while later he entered the office of Lee W. Tollerton, both

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well known attorneys of Toledo. He was admitted to practice October 14, 1897, and then joined Judge Charles Pratt and his son as a member of the firm of Pratt, Terry & Pratt, which later became Terry & Pratt. From 1897 until 1908, or for a period of eleven years, Mr. Terry successfully followed his profession and then turned his attention to business pursuits, becoming connected with the bond house of Spitzer and Company, later Spitzer, Rorick & Company, with which he remained for five years, gaining a comprehensive knowledge of the business. Subsequently he was one of the firm of Terry, Briggs & Company, of which he was president. In 1922 Mr. Terry severed this connection and organized the firm of William K. Terry and Company, with offices at 136 Huron street. This firm deals in municipal bonds and other high grade securities. His legal knowledge and training is of great assistance to him in this connection and since its inception this firm has enjoyed a steady growth, and ranks with the representative bond and investment security houses of Toledo.

On the 5th of June, 1908, Mr. Terry married Miss Helen Suydam, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Suydam, prominent residents of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Terry have three children: William K., Jr., born June 8, 1914; and Margaret and Mary Ann, twins.

Mr. Terry is a director and one of the trustees of the Community Chest, of which he served as president until January, 1922, and he is also a director of the American Information Bureau of New York city. He is a member of the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar associations and was chairman of the Liberty Loan committee for the Toledo area, except Lucas county, comprising twenty-one counties. He is a member of the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. In all matters of citizenship his influence is on the side of advancement and improvement and he brings to his various duties in life a keen mind and a broad intelligence which are the basis of his success. Mr. Terry's residence is on the River road.

THE SECOND NATIONAL BANK

The Second National Bank of Toledo has long justified its claim to be "the strongest bank in northwestern Ohio." For fifty-nine years it has figured as a force in the business development and material prosperity of this section of the country. It was organized January 18, 1864, only a few months after the passage of the national bank act and among the original stockholders were many men of prominence in the city, men of substantial worth and farseeing judgment. The bank was originally capitalized for one hundred thousand dollars and its first home was in a building on land adjoining the structure now occupied by the institution. In the course of years the bank occupied several homes and in January, 1894, was destroyed by the great fire which razed a number of the buildings in that part of Toledo. In 1913 work was begun on the magnificent structure which is today the bank's home at the corner of Madison and Summit streets. It is a twenty-one story building which opened its doors on the 12th of October, 1913, and at the reception which was held on that day fully two thousand people visited the new bank. The building towers above all others in Toledo and is situated in the very heart of the business district, while the bank itself is the center of commercial and financial activity in Toledo and northwestern Ohio. From time to time the Second National

has absorbed several other financial institutions in Toledo and on the 1st of May, 1907, there was a merger of the Second National and the Merchants National, at which time Edwin Jackson, former president of the Merchants National, was elected president of the consolidated institution but he died without ever filling the office. On the 14th of January, 1908, Morrison W. Young was elected to the presidency and continues in that position. Through the intervening period the bank has more than doubled its resources and at the present time its capital stock is one million dollars, while its surplus and undivided profits amount to more than two millions. Its destinies are in the hands of most substantial business men, who temper progressiveness with a safe conservatism, which, however, does not hamper that advance that is necessary to success in the conduct of any business enterprise or institution.

JOSEPH F. BRANDHUBER

Mercantile interests of Toledo find a prominent representative in Joseph F. Brandhuber, president of the Finkbeiner Furniture Company, who stands high in business circles of the city and has won success through industry, ability and tenacity of purpose. He was born in Perrysburg, Ohio, October 21, 1863, and his parents, Sebastian and Katherine (Lindenfield) Brandhuber, were both natives of Germany. During their youth they left that country and came to the United States, settling in Perrysburg, Ohio, in 1855. There the father successfully followed the trades of a machinist and blacksmith and both Mr. and Mrs. Brandhuber continued residents of that place until called to their final rest. To their union were born five children, one of whom died in infancy. Those who survive are: Joseph F. and Casper, both of whom are living in Toledo; and Cecelia, who follows the profession of nursing at Perrysburg, Ohio.

The public schools of his native town afforded Joseph F. Brandhuber his educational privileges and his initial business experience was obtained in the hardware establishment of Whittaker, Haines & Company, with which he was identified for many years. In 1905 he became connected with Finkbeiner's furniture store, located on Main street, in East Toledo, buying an interest in the business, and was made treasurer of the concern. In 1917 he purchased the controlling stock of the business, which he still conducts under the title of the Finkbeiner Furniture Company. He is filling the office of president and since taking over the business has infused new life into the enterprise, which he conducts along the most modern and progressive lines. He carries a carefully selected stock of furniture, rugs, carpets, draperies and household furnishings and has one of the largest and finest mercantile establishments on the east side. He has made the "square deal" a principle of his life and has therefore gained a large share of the public patronage, being regarded as one of the most reliable merchants in the city.

Mr. Brandhuber has been married three times. On November 17, 1892, he wedded Miss Harriet Anna Hunt, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis M. Hunt, prominent residents of Perrysburg, Ohio. Her demise occurred at that place in February, 1904. His second union was with Mrs. Gertrude (Finkbeiner) Hughes, of Perrysburg, whom he married on the 24th of April, 1905, and on May 25, 1920, she was called to her final rest. They became the parents of a daughter, Katherine Annette, who was born in Toledo in 1912 and is now attending the public schools. For his third wife he chose Mrs. Edith Hollenbeck Maddy, a daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Edward Hollenbeck of Perrysburg, and their marriage was solemnized on the 14th of June, 1921.

Mr. Brandhuber gives his political allegiance to the republican party, because of his belief that its principles will best conserve the interests of good government. He has never been neglectful of the duties of citizenship and served for one term as commissioner for the blind in Wood county, Ohio. He is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Furniture Dealers Protective Association and the Ohio Furniture Dealers Association. He is prominent in Masonry, having taken the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite Consistory, and he is also a past master of his lodge and a past high priest of the chapter. Mr. Brandhuber has never feared that laborious attention to business which must precede ascendancy and to him has come the crown of earnest effort and untiring industry—success and an honored name.

FRED O. PADDOCK

Fred O. Paddock, president of The Paddock-Hodge Company, grain merchants, was born at Argyle, Wisconsin, December 16, 1853, a son of Oscar Howland and Ann (Threadgold) Paddock, the former a native of Woodstock, Vermont, while the latter was born in Huddlesfield, England. Oscar H. Paddock removed to Warren, Illinois, in early manhood, and there engaged in various industries and later he became agent for the Illinois Central Railroad. Afterward he turned his attention to the lumber business, which he developed along extensive lines, establishing a chain of lumberyards in Pana and various other Illinois cities and towns. This business he continued to develop and direct until his death, and it was afterward conducted by his son, being still owned by Fred O. Paddock and his brothers.

Fred O. Paddock attended the public and high schools of Pana to the age of thirteen years and then began working in his father's lumberyard. He afterward became assistant cashier of the Nokomis National Bank at Nokomis, Illinois, and resigned his position there, went to St. Joseph, Missouri, where he became assistant manager of a large department store. In 1875 he concentrated his efforts and attention upon the conduct of a lumber business in connection with his father and brother and was thus associated until 1886. In that year he organized the firm of Southworth, Paddock & Company, wholesale grain dealers, which afterward became Bowman, Paddock & Company. Later the business was carried on under the style of the United Grain Company and eventually the company was dissolved, while Mr. Paddock became the organizer of The Paddock-Hodge Company, of which he is president. He has long been accounted one of the foremost figures in connection with the grain trade in Toledo.

On the 28th of August, 1877, Mr. Paddock was married to Miss Ada Blatt of St. Joseph, Missouri, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Blatt. They have become parents of four children: Jessie, who was born in Nokomis, Illinois, is the wife of Jesse W. Young of Toledo, wholesale grain dealer, and they have one child, Ada Helena Young; Ormond Howland, born in Nokomis, Illinois, was graduated from Cornell University, and is now vice president and treasurer of The Paddock-Hodge Company; Ada Louise, who was educated in the National Park Seminary at Washington, D. C., is the wife of Fred C. King, of Berkeley, California, and they

have two children, Fred C., Jr., and Louise Ann King; Marion, who was also educated in the National Park Seminary, is Mrs. Donald F. Smith of Defiance, Ohio.

Mr. Paddock is a charter member of the Toledo Country Club and also a member of the Inverness Club. He likewise belongs to the Commerce Club and to the Transportation Club, and has served three terms as president of the Toledo Produce Exchange, while for a number of years he has been a member of its board of directors. He is a member of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church, in which he has served as deacon and elder, and for several years served as a director of the Young Men's Christian Association. He is a man of most progressive spirit, this being manifest in his public connections, as well as in the management of his private business affairs, and his position is a most creditable and gratifying one in connection with the wholesale grain trade circles of the middle west.

In 1890 Mr. Paddock erected one of the first two houses in the district between Collingwood avenue and Wagon Works Station, now the heart of the choice residential section of Toledo.

F. G. REDD

F. G. Redd, one of the leading furniture dealers of Toledo, has also found time to participate in civic affairs and belongs to that class of men who while promoting individual interests also contribute in large measure to public progress and prosperity. He was born in Morrow county, Ohio, February 14, 1865, and his parents were Andrew and Rachel A. (Shaw) Redd, also natives of this state, the former born in Coshocton county and the latter in Morrow county. In his youth the father removed to Marion county, Ohio, and later to Morrow county, where he became identified with agricultural pursuits, devoting his attention to the cultivation and development of a large and well improved farm. He continued to reside on that property until his demise, which occurred in 1885. The mother is still living and has reached the age of eighty years. In their family were five children, three of whom survive: F. G.; Mrs. Daisy B. Waddell of Detroit, Michigan; and J. S., a resident of Marion, Ohio.

The country schools of Morrow county afforded F. G. Redd his educational advantages and he assisted in the operation of the home farm until he reached the age of twenty-six years, when he went to Van Wert county, Ohio, where he purchased a small tract of wild land. This he cleared and developed, continuing active in its cultivation for three years, when he sold the place and removed to Convoy, Ohio. There he entered the hardware business, which he conducted successfully for ten years, and then sold the enterprise, coming to Toledo on the 4th of January, 1904. He located in the eastern part of the city, where he engaged in the fuel business for two years, at the end of which time he disposed of his interest in the undertaking and became identified with the Finkbeiner Furniture Company, with which he remained for a year. In 1907 he established his present furniture business now located at 206-8-10 Main street, starting on a small scale and gradually expanding his interests until he has one of the finest establishments of the kind in the city. He is sole owner of the business and carries a large stock of high grade furniture and household equipment. He closely studies trade conditions and the wants of the public and owing to his straightforward dealing and capable management has succeeded in building up a

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large patronage. He also has other business interests, being a director of the Ohio Savings Association.

Mr. Redd was married June 25, 1885, to Miss Maggie P. Shaw, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Shaw, well known residents of Morrow county, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Redd have five children, of whom Ethel G. is the eldest. She is a native of Morrow county and there attended the district schools, completing her studies in the high school at Convoy; Mrs. M. E. Higbie, the next in order of birth, was also born in Morrow county and is now a resident of Toledo. She acquired her education in the public schools of Convoy and also was a pupil at Mrs. Meredith's private school; Mrs. Iva B. Soncrant, a native of Van Wert, Ohio, attended grammar school at Convoy and completed a course in a high school of this city. She resides in Toledo and has two children, Genevieve and Juanita; Dale S. was born in Convoy, Ohio, and educated in the public schools of Toledo. He married Miss Hazel Sanders and they have a son, Dale S., Jr.; Gale L., also a native of Convoy, is associated with his father in business.

Mr. Redd is a member of the Euclid Avenue Methodist Episcopal church and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. His deep interest in the welfare and progress of his community led him to take an active part in public affairs and for four years he served on the city council of Toledo. He was also a member of the commission appointed by Judge John M. Killits to work out the community traction problem, and owing to their efforts the residents of Toledo now have a splendid street railway system. He is a Knights Templar Mason and a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the East Side Commercial Club, and of the last named organization has been president for two years. He has made steady progress since starting out in the business world and the secret of his success lies in the fact that he has never been afraid of earnest labor and that his diligence and close application have ever been supplemented by integrity and reliability. His influence is always on the side of advancement and improvement and he puts forth every possible effort for the benefit and upbuilding of the city in which he makes his home.

THE BOCK BEARING COMPANY

The Bock Bearing Company of Toledo was incorporated June 19, 1913, with William E. Bock, Henry L. Bock, Frank H. Geer, Richard W. Kirkley and Joseph W. Lane as incorporators. The capital stock was three hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars, of which one hundred and fifty thousand dollars was preferred stock and two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars common stock. William E. Bock became president and general manager, with A. M. Donovan as secretary and treasurer.

The basis for the organization of the company was the granting by the United States patent office of several letters patent covering specially designed Taper Roller Bearing and special machines for its production. In the latter part of 1913 the company purchased land on Phillips avenue, west of Detroit avenue, and built a one-story brick and steel building. This was completed and occupied about January 1, 1914. Prior to the completion of this building the experimental work and early tooling-up processes were carried on in a small plant on Oakwood avenue, in the city of Toledo. From 1914 to the spring of 1916 the company perfected its

manufacturing processes and built up quite a large volume of business, which taxed the capacity of the plant as well as the company's finances. Therefore in April, 1916, the company was reorganized and its capital increased to one million, six hundred and fifty thousand dollars, of which four hundred and fifty thousand dollars was preferred stock and one million, two hundred thousand dollars common stock. In March, 1917, negotiations were completed whereby the Standard Parts Company of Cleveland, Ohio, purchased substantially all of the outstanding common capital stock.

The volume of business was gradually built up until today the company ranks as the second largest Taper Roller Bearing concern in the United States. Its product is accorded the honor position by the engineering fraternity, with respect to design and quality. The plant contains about four hundred and fifty thousand square feet of floor space and normally employs seven hundred and fifty men.

The present officers of the company are: Frank A. Scott of Cleveland, Ohio, president; Robert E. Clingan of Toledo, vice president and general manager; Cyril G. Steinbicker of Toledo, treasurer; and Peter A. Connolly of Cleveland, secretary. The directors are Maynard H. Murch and Frank A. Scott of Cleveland, and William E. Bock, Robert E. Clingan and Cyril G. Steinbicker of Toledo.

ARION E. WILSON

Prominent among the energetic, farsighted and successful business men of Toledo is Arion E. Wilson, who has long figured in financial circles, being now the president of the Toledo Title Company. Pennsylvania claims him as a native son, his birth having occurred at West Lebanon, on the 28th of April, 1850, his parents being James and Eliza A. (Morgan) Wilson, the mother being a representative of one of the old families from Wales. The first record of the family in America has to do with representatives of the name in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1712.

Spending his youthful days under the parental roof, Arion E. Wilson attended the public schools of West Lebanon, and afterward entered an academy of western Pennsylvania, thus completing his more specifically literary course. Later he became a student in the law department of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor and there continued his preparation for the bar until graduated in 1877, with the LL. B. degree. In his law practice he always specialized in land titles and, more and more largely concentrating his efforts in this field of labor, he is now the president of the Toledo Title Company, one of the strong and splendidly organized corporations of the city, based upon the most progressive and reliable business methods and characterized at all times by an effort for real service to its clients. Mr. Wilson is likewise a member of the advisory board of the Security Savings Bank & Trust Company and his name has become recognized as a synonym for all that makes for progress and advancement in connection with his line of business.

In 1893 Mr. Wilson was united in marriage to Miss Clara Moorhead of Indiana county, Pennsylvania. They are members of the First Congregational church of Toledo and their interest is manifest in their liberal support of the church and active cooperation in its various lines of work. Fraternally Mr. Wilson is a Mason and has taken the Royal Arch and council degrees. He belongs to the Toledo Commerce Club, the Country Club, the University of Michigan Club, the Lucas County

Arion E. Wilson

Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association, the Historical Society of Northwestern Ohio, and the Toledo Museum of Art. Thus the interests of his life have ever been evenly balanced, bringing about a well rounded development that has qualified him to cope with all of the demands made upon him through the relations of business, social or public life. His residence is at No. 2309 Robinwood avenue.

GEORGE D. BLACK, M. D.

On the list of Toledo's professional men appears the name of Dr. George D. Black, who is engaged in the general practice of medicine and has gained that success which follows concentrated effort and the fit utilization of the talents with which nature endowed him. He was born at Dundee, Michigan, July 17, 1887, and is a son of George W. and Mary (Bell) Black, the former a native of Fremont, Ohio, and the latter of Dundee. They were married in Michigan and afterward removed to North Baltimore, Ohio, where they still reside. For many years the father has engaged in oil development work and he has been very successful in his operations in that line. Mr. and Mrs. Black have become the parents of two sons: George D.; and Frank, who is living in Chicago, Illinois.

After completing his course at the high school of North Baltimore, Ohio, Dr. Black entered the medical school of Northwestern University of Chicago and was graduated in 1914. He chose Toledo as the field of his professional activities and has never had occasion to regret his selection, for his efforts have been rewarded by a gratifying measure of success and he is now caring for a large practice. He closely studies the cases that come under his care and is most thorough and painstaking in diagnosis, correctly applying his knowledge to the needs of his patients.

Dr. Black was married October 6, 1916, to Miss Marie Schroeder, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Schroeder of this city. Dr. and Mrs. Black have three sons: William, who was born in 1917; George, born in 1919; and Robert, born in 1921. Dr. Black is a Royal Arch Mason and his professional connections are with the Toledo & Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is a young man of enterprising spirit, commendable ambition and untiring energy who holds to high ideals in his professional work, and his fellow practitioners and the public accord him a position of prominence in his chosen vocation.

ALVIN MANSFIELD WOOLSON

Alvin Mansfield Woolson, founder of the Woolson Spice Company, one of the largest commercial institutions of Toledo, has been a resident of this city for nearly a half century. Like many other successful pioneer merchants, his early life was one of struggle and he overcame many obstacles in his path to success.

He was born in Erie county, Ohio, October 2, 1841, and is of old and substantial American stock. His remote American ancestor was Joseph Woolson, who came from Canterbury, England, in 1630 and settled at Weston, Massachusetts, where he built a blockhouse for protection against the Indians. He soon removed to Newton, Massachusetts. His son Thomas was born in 1630, and in 1660 married Sarah

Hyde, by whom he had six children. The third generation is also represented by Thomas Woolson, who married Elizabeth Chadwick and had eight children. The fourth of these eight children was Joseph Woolson, who was born in 1699, and married first Eliza Upham, and second Grace Gregory. Asa Woolson, of the fifth generation, was born in 1733, married Eliza Knight, and they had a family of twelve children, ten boys and two daughters. Elijah Woolson, representing the sixth generation, was born in 1769 and married Rebecca Batchellor, who was the mother of eight sons and one daughter. Rebecca Batchellor was a daughter of Nehemiah Batchellor, a captain in General Washington's army in the American struggle for independence. Rebecca was the grandmother of Alvin Mansfield Woolson.

Ira Knight Woolson, father of the Toledo merchant, was born in 1812 at Lisbon, New Hampshire. He married at Buffalo, New York, Arietta Mansfield, and they soon afterward moved to northern Ohio.

Alvin Mansfield Woolson received his early education in the noted "Country Schoolhouse on the Hill" and grew to manhood on a farm. As soon as he was old enough to see over a counter he was placed in a store, but the next year did the work of a printer's devil, carrying newspapers, until the confining nature of a printing office caused him to seek outdoor employment. He worked a year on a farm, greatly to his physical benefit, and he also learned the machinist's trade.

He was not twenty years of age when the war broke out. He enlisted in Company M, First Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Heavy Artillery, formerly the One Hundred and Seventeenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He made a gallant record as a Union soldier, was promoted to sergeant major, and was in the Union army from 1862 until September, 1865, when the regiment was honorably discharged.

On October 12, 1916, at Tiffin, Ohio, Company M held a Golden Jubilee Reunion, at which Mr. Woolson was made the guest of honor. A souvenir program with a splendid portrait of him was distributed to each member. The inscription on this program was: "Our Guest of Honor, Comrade Alvin M. Woolson. The boy sergeant-major, member of the Staff of the First Ohio Heavy Artillery, Second Brigade, Fourth Division, Twenty-third Army Corps; who served with distinction during the war for the Union, 1861 to 1865, in the campaign through Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, North Carolina and Virginia."

After the close of the war Mr. Woolson went to what was then the far west, and at Kansas City, Missouri, was employed by the Union Pacific Railway Eastern Division in the capacity of accountant, having charge of the government freight. This work he continued while the railroad was being built from Kansas City to Denver. Railroad building, especially across the great plains, was a very hazardous undertaking. Many times the builders virtually had to fight their way through bands of hostile savages. Mr. Woolson's particular services required the supervision of the government freight, which was carried by the railway company to the end of the tracks, at which point the government wagons received it and conveyed it to the different army reservations.

A year and a half of this arduous and rather exciting outdoor life constituted one of the most noteworthy of Mr. Woolson's early experiences. He then returned to Ohio and became a country merchant at Berlin Heights in Erie county. While he was in business there he selected his future partner for life. Soon afterward he sold his store at Berlin Heights and engaged in a new business at Wauseon, Ohio. A few months after getting established there he returned to Berlin Heights and married Miss Frances D. Tillinghast. They were married October 12, 1870.

Mrs. Woolson, who was born November 30, 1846, is also of a prominent American family. Her father, William Tillinghast, who died at Toledo, September 12, 1890, was a descendant of Pardon Tillinghast, who was one of the first pastors of the Roger Williams church at Providence, Rhode Island, serving that congregation from 1712 to 1717. Mrs. Woolson's mother was Eliza Squire, who was born in 1812 and died July 15, 1884, at Toledo. Her ancestors were members of the Buckley family, related to General Israel Putnam, one of the heroes of the Revolution. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Woolson are: Maude Ellen, who is married to Herman H. Brand and lives in Toledo; Weona, who is now the wife of Walter J. Engle, and whose home is in Chicago; and Constance Fenimore, who is now Mrs. John E. Barney and resides in Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Woolson reside at 2057 Parkwood avenue.

After several years of business activity at Wauseon, Mr. Woolson came to Toledo in 1875 with the express purpose of starting in the coffee and spice business. He found that his capital was not sufficient to enable him to undertake such an ambitious enterprise, and he accordingly entered the retail grocery business, which he handled on a successful scale until 1882. Toledo had had for some years a firm known as C. C. Warren & Company, coffee roasters and spice dealers, but they became involved in financial difficulties for several months, when the remnant was offered for sale. After over a month's negotiation Mr. Woolson bought out this firm. He had in the meantime succeeded in interesting the wholesale grocers of Toledo, all of whom became stockholders in the new company under Mr. Woolson's management. That was a strong point in his organization, but Mr. Woolson's personal faith was so strong in the business that there was no question of its success from the start.

It was Pliny Watson of the Emerson Company, wholesale grocers, who suggested that the name of the company be the Woolson Spice Company, as he remarked he desired to name the company after a man who had never failed. All of the wholesale grocers of Toledo at that time were represented in the original list of stockholders, including Pliny Watson, George Emerson, James Secor, John Berdan, John B. Ketcham and S. B. Wood. Having stock in the Woolson Spice Company, these merchants naturally became interested in the sale and distribution of the products, and R. A. Bartley and others were added to the board of directors later. From the very start the Woolson Spice Company prospered, and continued to grow until it was the second largest coffee concern in the United States. The business was finally sold to the Havemeyers, the great sugar refiners, and a small interest was also purchased by the Arbuckle Brothers coffee concern, for the purpose of ruining the business. This interest resulted in a great deal of litigation between the sugar and coffee corporations, and while this is a matter of note, it occurred just a few months before Mr. Woolson retired from the company. The business is still conducted at Toledo under the original name and is engaged in roasting coffee and marketing spices, as formerly.

Since retiring from active business in May, 1897, Mr. Woolson has traveled extensively and given his attention to his private affairs. Mr. Woolson has long been counted one of Toledo's public-spirited citizens. In point of service he is one of the oldest directors in the Second National Bank, was for a quarter of a century a director in the Northern National Bank, and is one of the founders and a director in the Union Savings Bank. He is a member and has long been active in the Society of Colonial Wars, and in 1916 was deputy governor general of the National Society. He is a member of Anthony Wayne Chapter of the Sons of the American

Revolution, and in 1916 was vice president general of the National Society. He is a member and one of the board of managers of the Society of Sons of the Revolution. He is one of the vice presidents of the Star Spangled Banner Association and in 1915 was selected by Governor Cox as one of the two delegates from Ohio to attend the convention at Baltimore, celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of the writing of the Star Spangled Banner.

Mr. Woolson has in many ways befriended the old soldiers of our country and has been a member of Toledo Post, Grand Army of the Republic, since its organization and has held many of its offices. He has attended nearly all the national encampments of the Grand Army of the Republic since 1866, and for 1916-17 was one of the seven members of the executive committee of the national commander-in-chief. Mr. Woolson is president of the Toledo Soldiers' Memorial Association, is a member of the Maumee Valley Pioneer and Historical Society, life member of the Ohio Archaeological and Historical Society, member of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association, the National Geographic Society, and many other organizations, and is a trustee of the First Congregational church of Toledo.

He is an honorary member of the United Spanish War Veterans and a member of the Ohio Society of New York. He is also a member of both the Toledo and Country clubs, the Toledo Art Museum and the Toledo Newsboys' Association.

Mr. Woolson was one of the first organizers of the Chamber of Commerce during the exciting times of the discovery of natural gas, and was particularly active in securing many new enterprises to locate in the city, some of which are today among the most prominent in Lucas county.

GUSTAV LAY

Gustav Lay occupies one of the attractive homes of Toledo, situated on Parkwood avenue, and thus amid most attractive surroundings he is spending his days in the enjoyment of well earned rest, for through a long period of close connection with the bakery business he accumulated a handsome fortune that now enables him to live retired. He came as a youth from Germany to the new world, empty-handed, yet possessed of laudable ambition and resolute purpose, and soon winning employment at his trade, which he had partially learned in his native country, he entered upon a period of steady advancement that at length brought him to the leadership of one of the large bakery establishments of the state.

Mr. Lay was born in Baden, Germany, December 9, 1864, his parents being Christian and Barbara (Hoflin) Lay, who were also of German birth and came to America two years after the arrival of their son Gustav. The father, who had engaged in linen weaving in his native country, turned his attention to farming in the new world. Both he and his wife have departed this life. In their family were six children: Christ, Frederick, Henry, Barbara, William and Gustav.

The last named was a pupil in the public schools of his native country until his eleventh year, after which he entered upon an apprenticeship at the baker's trade. He came to America in April, 1883, when a youth of not yet seventeen, and for several weeks was employed in various ways whereby he might earn an honest living. At length, however, he was able to secure a position at the baker's trade, with which he had become somewhat familiar in his native country, and here he further mastered the business. Eventually he determined to start out on his own account

GUSTAV LAY

and in 1888 opened a small bakery on Scott street in Toledo, assisted by his wife. He remained at that location for seventeen years, during which period he developed the business to extensive proportions and at the end of that time organized the United Baking Company, of which he continued the president and general manager until 1912, when he sold the business to the General Baking Company and of the latter he became a director and general superintendent, remaining in that connection up to the time of his retirement from active management on the 1st of May, 1922. He still retains financial and official connection with the General Baking Company. Among his other business interests he is vice president and also a director of the Toledo Electric Sales Company, one of the very prosperous of Toledo's commercial houses, whose growth has been rapid and substantial. His success was the merited outcome of close application, indefatigable effort and unfaltering determination and from the beginning he recognized the fact that satisfied customers are the best advertisement. He always held to the highest standards in the quality of goods sent out from his bakery and the splendid reputation which he won enabled him to enjoy from the beginning a large and growing trade.

In June, 1890, Mr. Lay was married to Miss Sophia Sackmann, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Sackmann, well known in Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Lay have a daughter, Augusta, who is now the wife of R. T. Adams. She was born in Toledo and educated in the public and high schools of this city. By her marriage she has become the mother of one child, Betty Kathlyn.

Fraternally Mr. Lay is connected with the Elks and with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is also a member of the Commerce Club, the Exchange Club and the Maumee River Yacht Club. Extremely fond of travel, he has made several extensive European trips with Mrs. Lay as his companion, visiting many points of historic and of modern interest, and he plans to spend not a little of his time in the same way in the future. He is yet in the prime of life but already he has reached a notable point of prosperity, so that he is able to put aside the more arduous cares of business and enter into those pursuits and pleasures of which leisure and success permit. His record shows what can be accomplished in a land unhampered by caste or class, where opportunity is open to all, for through the utilization of the chances which have come to him, he stands today among the prosperous residents of Toledo.

EDWIN J. HUBER

For many years members of the Huber family have occupied positions of prominence in commercial circles of Toledo in connection with the tailoring business and Edwin J. Huber has proved a worthy successor of his father in this field of activity. His birth occurred in this city on the 10th of October, 1879, and his parents, Joseph C. and Agatha (Machen) Huber, were also natives of Ohio, spending their lives within the borders of the state. They were residents of Toledo and the father, who was a tailor by trade, successfully followed that business in this city for a considerable period, building up a large patronage. His death occurred on the 1st of August, 1908. The mother was called to her final rest on the 3d of September, 1896. Of the eleven children born to their union six are living, namely: Charles H.; Stella; Joseph C., Jr., a prominent architect of this city;

Walter L., of Toledo, who is dealing in automobile supplies; Ralph William; and Edwin J.

Edwin J. Huber acquired his education in the parochial schools of Toledo and afterward learned the tailor's trade under the able instruction of his father. In 1907, when twenty-eight years of age, he opened a shop of his own, which he has since conducted successfully, his establishment being located at No. 707 Madison avenue. He carries a large assortment of imported and domestic woolens of the best quality and has always been found thoroughly reliable and straightforward in all commercial transactions. He is conscientious and painstaking in his work, which never leaves the shop until the highest degree of perfection possible has been attained, and his success is largely attributable to the fact that a patron once gained is always retained. He is an expert tailor and numbers among his customers the leading business and professional men of the city, while he also has a large outside trade. He likewise has other business interests.

Mr. Huber is a communicant of the Roman Catholic church and a member of the Knights of Columbus. He is also identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Retail Merchants Association, the Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Club, the Rotary Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, the Toledo Zoological Society and Merchant Tailors National Association, in which he is serving actively. He stands high in business circles of the city and his life has been an exemplary one in all respects, winning for him the unqualified esteem of those with whom he has been brought into contact.

HARRY E. COLLIN

Harry E. Collin, president of the well known stock brokerage house, The Collin-Norton Company, is one of the prominent figures in Toledo's financial and investment circles. He was born at Tontogany, Ohio, December 4, 1885, a son of Robert J. and Alice E. Collin. Robert J. Collin, who is still living, was engaged in the drug business in Tontogany, Wood county, for a period of thirty-nine years, retiring in 1912. His two sons are prominent business men of Toledo. Charles A. Collin is now vice president of the Toledo Newspaper Company.

Harry E. Collin was graduated from the high school of his native city and afterward pursued a special course in accounting and commercial law. Following the completion of his education he was associated with his father, Robert J. Collin, in the drug business at Tontogany until the spring of 1906, when he came to Toledo and obtained a position with the Northern National Bank, continuing in active connection with that institution until 1912, when he became associated with the Citizens Safe Deposit & Trust Company in its stock and bond department. In 1913 this department was taken over by The Citizens Securities Company, which was organized and controlled by W. B. Snyder and H. E. Collin. The business was conducted under that name until January, 1920, when Mr. Collin and H. H. Norton purchased Mr. Snyder's interest in the business and changed the name to The Collin-Norton Company. This company has built up a brokerage business that ranks it with the strongest and most reliable houses in its line in Toledo.

Since attaining his majority Mr. Collin has been connected with financial interests and has constantly been in a position to familiarize himself with investment securities, of which he has a most intimate and accurate knowledge. He has been

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the central figure in a number of big deals involving not only Toledo business and industrial interests, but elsewhere in the country as well and his judgment in matters of this character probably carries as much significance as that of any other man in Toledo. He has extended his efforts also into other fields and aside from his connection with The Collin-Norton Company is now the secretary and treasurer of the National Dairy Company of Toledo, treasurer of the Maumee Finishing Company of this city, a director of the Commerce-Guardian Trust & Savings Bank, a director of the Toledo Milling Machine Company and a director of the Canadian Libbey-Owens Sheet Glass Company. His interests are thus broad and varied in their character and his sound judgment is regarded as a valuable asset in the successful conduct of the corporations with which he is identified. In his business career he has displayed marked progressiveness and enterprise, combined with keen insight into business affairs and a ready recognition of opportunity. He has a wide acquaintance with financial men throughout the country.

In October, 1913, Mr. Collin was united in marriage to Miss Selma G. Gardner, a daughter of I. E. Gardner of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Collin have one daughter, Virginia Alice, born April 18, 1922. Mr. Collin belongs to the Masonic fraternity, being a Consistory Mason and a member of Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is also identified with the Chamber of Commerce of which he is a trustee, the Toledo Club, the Country Club, the Carranor Hunt and Polo Club, the Ottawa Park Riding Club and the Inverness Club, and belongs to the Bankers Club of New York. Mr. Collin's residence is at No. 2604 Robinwood avenue.

ADELBERT LORENZO SPITZER

Few names are so well known throughout the financial world in connection with the municipal bond and investment business as that of Adelbert Lorenzo Spitzer. There is no phase of the business with which he is not thoroughly familiar. Starting out in life as a representative of financial interests, he early recognized the fact that close application and industry are indispensable elements in the attainment of success, and these qualities he has ever cultivated, with the result that his position is now most enviable. Ohio numbers him among her native sons, his birth having occurred on a farm in Medina county, August 15, 1852. He is descended in the paternal line from Holland ancestry, his great-great-grandfather having been Dr. Ernestus De Spitzer, who crossed the Atlantic on the ship "Two Brothers," from Rotterdam, Holland, reaching Philadelphia in 1747. He afterward removed to Schenectady, New York, where he engaged in medical practice for many years, and he served with distinction as surgeon in the French and Indian wars, after which he received an appointment as surgeon general of the provincial forces. Some of his descendants married into the Schermerhorn and Astor families, two of the most distinguished families of the east.

Adelbert L. Spitzer is the youngest son of Garrett and Mary (Branch) Spitzer, and through the maternal side he is descended from James Thompson, who came from England in 1682 as a member of a large colony headed by Governor Winthrop. Another ancestor of Mr. A. L. Spitzer in the maternal line was John Thompson, a distinguished banker of New York city, and publisher of the Thompson Bank Note Reporter, a very important financial publication of those days, and who was

one of the framers of the National Banking Act. He established the First National Bank in New York, the first institution given a charter under the Act of 1862, and was its first president. He afterwards organized the Chase National Bank of New York city, which he thus named in honor of Salmon P. Chase, statesman, who was largely instrumental in promoting the national banking system and who was a warm personal friend of Mr. Thompson.

Garrett Spitzer, father of A. L. Spitzer, like his son figured prominently in financial circles. He was born in Schenectady, New York, November 7, 1817, his parents being Nicholas and Nancy (Bovee) Spitzer. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Mary Jane Branch was born March 22, 1827, in Worthington, Massachusetts, her parents being Elisha and Sarah (Thompson) Branch. To this union three sons and five daughters were born.

Their son, Adelbert L. Spitzer, had the usual experiences of a farm bred boy, remaining on the old homestead until the age of twenty years, during which time he pursued his education in the public schools of the neighborhood and in Lodi Academy. He put aside his textbooks, however, in December, 1872, in order to accept a position in the Exchange Bank at Seville, Ohio, and thus he initiated his business career, which was a foreshadowing of a line of activity which has claimed his attention throughout the intervening years. On September the first, 1873, a few weeks after attaining his majority, he joined his brother, Amherst T. Spitzer, in establishing the Bank of North Amherst under the firm name of Spitzer Brothers Success attended the venture, and in 1878 he purchased his brother's interest in the business continuing to conduct the bank successfully until 1882, when he retired and removed to Toledo.

In this city Adelbert L. Spitzer joined his cousin, Gen. C. M. Spitzer, and organized a bank and bond house under the firm name of Spitzer & Company, which for more than four decades has maintained its chief offices in Toledo, with branch houses in New York, Chicago and various other cities. The company has always enjoyed the distinction of being the first concern west of New York city to engage strictly in the buying and selling of municipal bonds. It has always been known as "the father of the municipal bond business of the west," and its name has ever been synonymous with absolutely safe investments. It has always been a source of pride and satisfaction to the company that the heads of every bond house in this city, with but one or two exceptions, (and they are firms of recent origin) received their training either directly or indirectly from Spitzer & Company.

In 1893 Mr. Spitzer with his cousin, General Spitzer, began the erection of the Spitzer building, and in 1900 they added the annex. The structure, the first large steel construction building of Toledo, contains some seven hundred offices, and still ranks as one of the best office buildings in the state. In 1905 they built the Nicholas building, a seventeen story structure, opposite the Spitzer named in honor of their grandfather, Nicholas Spitzer. With the dissolution of the partnership, Mr. Spitzer took the building bearing his name, and General Spitzer the Nicholas building. These two buildings will ever stand as worthy monuments to the business sagacity and acumen of their builders. Their location at the intersection of Madison Avenue and Huron street has always reflected great credit on the company, disclosing as it did exemplary judgment and a natural intuition as to the trend of the city's business development.

Another tribute to the bigness of their financial ambitions and attainments are the four banks they organized outside of the city, all growing and prosperous institutions today. They are the Savings Deposit Bank in Medina, The Oak Harbor

State Bank, the Citizens Savings Bank in Pemberville, and The Home Savings Bank of Wellington. Mr. Spitzer retains the controlling interest in the Oak Harbor Bank and is still its president.

On February 1, 1911, the firm name was changed to Spitzer-Rorick & Company, and in February, 1913, General C. M. Spitzer retired because of ill health.

His half century's effort crowned with brilliant achievement and rewarded with abundant wealth, Mr. Spitzer in 1921 desiring to lessen his sphere of activities, sold his interest in the bank and bond business to his remaining partners. Since then he has devoted himself to the management of the Spitzer building, his other banking interests, and his personal affairs.

It is a notable incident in Mr. Spitzer's life that he never sought nor accepted any public office. However, there were two events in his career which have given him much prominence and wide publicity, not only in Toledo, but also throughout northwestern Ohio. They were his selection by the Chamber of Commerce as Director General of the King Wamba Carnival held in August, 1909, and his election as President and General Manager of the Toledo Red Cross Society at the time of America's entrance into the World war. In the King Wamba celebration, perhaps the most notable event in Toledo's civic and social history, he was given complete charge of the entire program, and he staged a carnival the like of which has never been seen outside of the Mardi Gras festival of New Orleans.

The dispatch and acumen with which he disposed of the problems that confronted the Toledo Red Cross Society, the harmony which he maintained at all times in the organization, and the enthusiastic praise which he received from all sides are too fresh in the minds of Toledo and northwestern Ohio people to need further mention.

Despite the fact that he has always been deeply engrossed in large financial affairs, Mr. Spitzer has always found time for travel and social diversion. Since 1892 he has spent his winters in southern California, Florida or in Europe. On most of his trips he has taken his car and his chauffeur with him.

His beautiful home at 1904 Madison avenue, where he has resided since 1886, is one of the most elegantly furnished in the city, and has always been most exquisitely maintained, in keeping with the family's social prominence. It has always been one of the favorite centers of Toledo society, and has been the scene of many brilliant social functions. His country estate, located on the east side of the Maumee river about eight miles from the city, is one of the most beautiful in the up-river colony.

From early boyhood Mr. Spitzer was ever a great lover of horses, and was never without a horse. He maintained a fine stable, exhibited his horse at many shows, and captured many blue ribbons. In years gone by his four-in-hand was a familiar attraction on the streets, and his coaching parties were quite the talk of northwestern Ohio in those days. He was recognized as a whip of some note.

On October 20, 1875, Mr. Spitzer was united in marriage to Sarah Elizabeth Strong, who was born at Seville, Ohio, August 18, 1854, a daughter of Lyman W. Strong, a descendant of John Stoughton Strong, a pioneer of Strongsville, Ohio, for whose honor the town was named. Her father, Lyman W. Strong, was one of the leading merchants of Seville. Mrs. Spitzer died July 7, 1914, her death being the occasion of very deep and widespread regret, for she was endeared to all who knew her because of the many admirable qualities of heart and mind which she possessed. She was a most faithful member and earnest worker in the First Congregational church and she was a charter member of Ursula Wolcott Chapter,

D. A. R. With many of the city's social and philanthropic interests she was closely associated, and her influence was always a potent element for good.

To Mr. and Mrs. Spitzer were born three sons and a daughter, Carl Bovee, Lyman Strong, Roland Adelbert, and Luette Ruth. The son, Roland A., passed away May 20, 1916. Luette Ruth is the wife of Thomas P. Goodbody. The children all reside in Toledo.

Mr. Spitzer was one of the founders of the old Toledo Club and one of its first directors. He was also one of the organizers of the Country Club, and its first president. He is a life member of the Toledo Yacht Club, and a member of the Midwick Country Club of Pasadena, California, and the Ohio Society of New York. While not a member of any church, he has been a prominent contributor to the First Congregational church, and has always been a member of its society.

WILLIAM EUGENE HETTRICK

Heroism does not merely mean facing the enemy's bullets on the battle field; it is as often displayed in facing discouraging circumstances calling forth all the power, the determination and the optimism of the individual, lest he succumb to failure and defeat. There is perhaps no biographical record in this work which indicates more clearly the value of strong purpose, persistent effort and honest dealing in the attainment of success than does that of William E. Hettrick, one of Toledo's foremost business men, who started with a borrowed capital of a few hundred dollars and is now the largest manufacturer of canvas goods in the United States. Mr. Hettrick comes of an old American family which was established in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, about 1740, and its members have all been noted sailmakers. He was born in Chicago, Illinois, August 25, 1870, and his parents, Edward C. and Lydia (Wentz) Hettrick, were both natives of the Quaker City. The father was a sailmaker and the grandfather a seafaring man and in later life the father devoted his attention to the making of tents, in which he developed expert ability. He passed away in Toledo in 1915, at the age of seventy-six years. The mother's demise occurred in that city in 1921, when she had reached the age of eighty years. In their family were three children: Edward, who died at the age of twenty-one; and Mrs. Adeline Boyd and William E., both of whom are residents of Toledo.

William Eugene Hettrick attended the grammar schools of Philadelphia to the age of ten years, when he came to Toledo and completed his education in this city. He turned his attention to the canvas goods business, of which he gained a detailed knowledge under the able instruction of his father. In 1893 Mr. Hettrick embarked in the business, starting with a capital of three hundred dollars, the greater part of which he was obliged to borrow. The business was at first conducted in a small frame building thirty by fifty feet in dimensions and the sales for the first year amounted to about three thousand dollars. Mr. Hettrick was foreman, salesman and also a worker in the small factory and although his pay roll was not large he frequently had great difficulty in meeting it, in fact, the obstacles which he encountered during the first few years would have seemed insurmountable to a man of less courageous spirit and determination. He was often compelled to take a pack under his arm and solicit orders in order to secure the funds necessary to pay off his workmen and on one occasion he was obliged to pawn his watch to obtain five dollars

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which was needed to make up the deficiency in his pay roll. He has never acknowledged defeat and the following is an excellent illustration of his resourcefulness and ingenuity. He secured from a firm an order for horse covers, which were to be delivered in the shortest possible time. These covers were made of oil treated duck and hung on wooden horses to dry preparatory to shipment the next morning. On reaching his factory the following day Mr. Hettrick found that the chemicals used in treating the duck had formed a combustion, which burned out the center of the back of the covers, damaging the entire pile of several hundred. The situation was a most discouraging one, for every dollar which he possessed was in the covers and his credit was also involved. Knowing that something had to be done quickly, he sought desperately for a solution and finally evolved a plan. Cutting away the burned portion of each cover, he sewed thereon a new piece of canvas cut in the shape of a diamond. On delivering the order he explained that these were his Diamond Brand covers—that the little diamond-shaped piece of cloth was a guarantee of superiority —and for many years thereafter the customer demanded that brand of covers and would have no other.

In 1897 the business had increased to such proportions that it was necessary to secure larger quarters and three floors were rented in a brick building about sixty by ninety feet in dimensions. From the start Mr. Hettrick commenced to build a reputation through honorable dealing and the manufacture of the best goods that could be made from canvas, realizing the fact that in order to secure trade and keep it he must not only give a square deal and the best values possible, but that he must also give service. When the Spanish-American war was declared his reputation was sufficiently established to enable him to secure a substantial contract from the war department for army tents and covers and the rapid increase in his trade soon made another removal necessary. He immediately began the erection of a building of his own and his factory now consists of five mammoth buildings, affording a floor space of seven and a half acres. He has installed the most modern equipment, special attention being given to light, air and sanitation, for Mr. Hettrick is most considerate and just in his treatment of those who serve him, endeavoring to make their working hours as pleasant as possible, and has secured that spirit of cooperation and goodwill so essential in the successful conduct of every large industrial enterprise. He has obtained skilled labor, paying a liberal compensation for work well done, and utilizes at times one thousand employes in the operation of his plant. In 1900 the business was incorporated and it is now conducted under the style of the Hettrick Manufacturing Company, of which W. E. Hettrick is the president. He has always sold direct to the consumer and has secured the services of a number of highly efficient traveling representatives, his trade coming to him from all sections of the United States, while he also does a large business in South America. During the World war he supplied the government with army tents and covers and the business is now so enormous that it is necessary to purchase the entire output of several mills, the company being one of the largest buyers of canvas goods in the world. The principal part of the business is converting and treating fabrics as received direct from the looms in an unfinished state, to meet the requirements of different manufacturers for various purposes over the entire country. The firm also manufactures tents, awnings, coal bags, carpenters' aprons, hammocks, horse covers, floor covers, gloves, leggins, belting and in fact, practically everything made of canvas. Its sales average more than a million dollars a month, and in addition to controlling this immense business Mr. Hettrick is also an officer and director of a number of subsidiary companies. He has the power of concentration, which

enables him to give his entire thought to the matter in hand, and his strong mentality, self-reliance and poise have made him capable of directing mammoth affairs, the success of which depends upon notable administrative ability.

On the 12th of August, 1892, Mr. Hettrick was married to Miss Alice E. McCoy, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McCoy of Toledo, and they have become the parents of two children: Bernice M., who is now Mrs. Thomas L. Young, acquired her education in this city and she also attended the La Salle School at Boston, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Young reside in Toledo and have a daughter, Janice; William E. Hettrick, Jr., born August 14, 1901, in Toledo, is a student in the engineering department of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor.

Fraternally Mr. Hettrick is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and he is also a York and Scottish Rite Mason, having taken the thirty-second degree in the consistory. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Toledo, Inverness, Toledo Boat, Maumee River Yacht and Rotary clubs, and his political support is given to the republican party. He is a big man—big in that power which understands conditions, grasps situations and molds opportunities into tangible assets—and the magnitude and importance of his interests have established his position among America's "captains of industry."

EDWARD NEWTON RIDDLE

It is often under the pressure of necessity or the stimulus of opposition that the best and strongest in men is brought out and developed, and that individual can best place a valuation upon life and its opportunities who has had to earn his living and depend upon his resources, testing his powers against the chances offered him and proving his worth by winning in the conflict. This Edward Newton Riddle has done and in the business circles of Toledo his position is a creditable and enviable one, for he is now the president and treasurer of The Edward N. Riddle Company, manufacturers of electric lighting fixtures. He was born in Franklin, Pennsylvania, March 25, 1870, and is a son of Newton B. and Welthy A. (Burdick) Riddle, the former a native of Pennsylvania, while the latter was born in the state of New York but spent the greater part of her life in the Keystone state. The father served as sheriff and treasurer of Venango county, Pennsylvania, and was prominent in the oil production industry of Pennsylvania to the time of his death, which occurred in 1879. The mother survived him for forty-one years, her death occurring in Pasadena, California, in 1920. There were two children in the family, Edward N. and John W., the latter also a resident of Toledo. During the Civil war period Newton B. Riddle was a soldier of the Union army, which he entered as a drummer boy, while later he served as a private of the One Hundred and Twenty-first Pennsylvania Infantry.

Edward N. Riddle pursued his early education in the public schools of Richburg, New York, and afterward attended Eastman's Business College at Poughkeepsie, that state, thus receiving thorough commercial training as a preparation for life's responsible activities and duties. He came to Toledo in 1889 and here he obtained employment in a candy factory at the munificent salary of three dollars per week. A little later he obtained work with the firm of Gosline & Barber, coal dealers, at a salary of five dollars per week, but out of this he was obliged to pay his board and also to clothe himself. He secured another advance when he entered

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the employ of J. J. Coon, a grain merchant, and in 1892 he took another step forward in his career when he became bookkeeper for the Western Gas Fixture Company, the predecessor of the present business. He thoroughly acquainted himself with every phase of the trade and eventually became owner of the business, which is now carried on under the name of The Edward N. Riddle Company, manufacturers of electric lighting fixtures. This is today one of the largest of the kind in the United States, employment being given to from one hundred and seventy-five to two hundred workmen, with Mr. Riddle as the directing head, occupying the position of president and treasurer.

On the 20th of December, 1892, Mr. Riddle was united in marriage to Miss Julie J. Coon, a daughter of Julius J. and Nancy M. (Wade) Coon, both deceased. The two children of this marriage are: Julius Newton, who was born in Toledo on the 6th of May, 1894; and Courtland C., born in Toledo on the 30th of September, 1898. Both were educated in public schools of this city. The former wedded Miss Mary C. Clemens of Toledo and they have two children, Mary J. and Margaret E. The younger son married Miss Esther Merrill of this city and they have one child, Horace Newton.

Masonry finds in Mr. Riddle a worthy and loyal follower. He belongs also to the Chamber of Commerce, the Exchange Club and the Toledo Automobile Club. His life has been an active and useful one and the success which he has achieved in business is well deserved, being the merited outcome of industry and integrity. Mr. Riddle resides on the River road.

LEWIS L. DANIELS

In thoroughness and the mastery of every detail of the business in which he is engaged lies the secret of the success which has brought Lewis L. Daniels to the prominent position which he occupies in commercial circles of Toledo, as a plumbing and heating engineer. He was born in Springfield, Clark county, Ohio, June 13, 1880, and his parents, Eugene O. and Lillie (Cowic) Daniels, were also natives of that section of the state and in their youth they removed to Toledo. The father at first followed the trade of a harness maker, after which he became interested in a foundry, but subsequently sold his stock in that enterprise and accepted the position of manager for the Toledo Gas & Oil Burner Company. He is now president of the Sun Gas Burner Company of this city and for many years has devoted the greater portion of his time to perfecting gas and oil burners, being the possessor of considerable inventive genius. The mother passed away at Canton, Illinois, in 1893. Mr. and Mrs. Daniels became the parents of eight children, three of whom are deceased. Those who survive are: Lewis L., Eugene Vance and Lyman T., all of whom are residents of Toledo; Mrs. Glenna Trout of San Diego, California; and Blanche of Charlotte, North Carolina.

In the acquirement of an education Lewis L. Daniels attended the grammar schools of Springfield, Ohio, and Canton, Illinois, and after laying aside his textbooks he entered a foundry, in which he served an apprenticeship as a coremaker. He next turned his attention to bench and floor molding, receiving instruction from his maternal grandfather, L. H. Cowic, and then learned the machinist's trade, working in shops at Indianapolis, Indiana, and at Tiffin, Ohio. To this he added a knowledge of the cabinetmaker's trade, which he mastered while residing at Canton,

Illinois, and at Indianapolis, Indiana, and being desirous of still further promoting his efficiency, he served an apprenticeship as a carriage painter at Tiffin, Ohio. Subsequently he entered his father's establishment, in which he familiarized himself with the work of manufacturing oil and gas burners, and then took up the plumber's trade, to which he also served an apprenticeship. Having thus developed expert mechanical ability along many lines, he decided to embark in business on his own account and in 1914 became a member of the firm of Behm & Daniels, his associate in the undertaking being Aura Behm. They started with a borrowed capital of two hundred dollars and are now conducting one of the leading plumbing and heating establishments of the city. They have been awarded many large contracts, doing work for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, also in the Willys-Overland plant in Toledo, and they have likewise installed the plumbing and heating in a number of fine residences, apartments, hotels, school buildings, factories, etc. They utilize between twenty and twenty-five employes in their business and their work represents the highest degree of efficiency in their line. Mr. Daniels purchased the Stearns Plumbers Supply Company, October 29, 1922, a jobbing and plumbing supply company, and by so doing materially increased the scope of the firm of Behm & Daniels.

At Indianapolis, Indiana, on the 15th of April, 1902, Mr. Daniels was married to Miss Grace L. Ayers, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Ayers, prominent residents of that city. Her father was one of the charter members of the Indianapolis Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is now deceased, as is also her mother who passed away October 25, 1922. Mr. and Mrs. Daniels became the parents of five children, three of whom are deceased. Those who survive are: David Charles Eugene, who was born in 1903 and is attending high school; and Loren Paul, who was born in 1906 and is a student at a technical school.

Mr. Daniels gives his political allegiance to the republican party, for he believes that its policy best conserves national progress and promotes public stability. He is a Royal Arch Mason and is also a member of the Ohio Sanitary & Heating Engineers Society. His career has been marked by continuous advancement, due to his untiring efforts, his expert knowledge of the business in which he is engaged and his unquestioned integrity and reliability. Opportunity has ever been to him the call to action and he stands today among those men whose industry and ability justify their success.

MORRIS J. RIGGS

Since 1887 Morris J. Riggs has been identified with the Toledo branch of the American Bridge Company, of which he is now general manager. The intervening years have brought him various promotions in recognition of his ability and he is today one of the foremost representatives of industrial activity in this city. He comes to Ohio from Minneapolis, Minnesota, but is a native of Iowa, his birth having occurred at Horton, Bremer county, on the 14th of January, 1862. He is a son of William and Sophronia (Hopkins) Riggs, who were natives of Ithaca, Tompkins county, New York, where they were reared and married. They established their home in Iowa in 1857 and there spent their remaining days, the father becoming one of the leading and progressive farmers of Bremer county.

owning two hundred and forty acres of rich and valuable land at the time of his death. The family numbered five children.

Morris J. Riggs completed his public school education by a course in the high school at Waverly, Iowa, and later he took up the profession of teaching, which he followed through four winter seasons. In this way he earned the money that enabled him to pursue a college course and he matriculated in the engineering department of the Iowa State College, from which he was graduated with the Civil Engineer degree as a member of the class of 1883. Soon afterward he went to Minneapolis, Minnesota, where he entered the employ of the Smith Bridge Company of Toledo, which was operating a branch in that city. In 1887 he was called to the Toledo house and when in 1890 this business changed hands and took the name of the Toledo Bridge Company, Mr. Riggs became chief engineer and also one of the stockholders in the company. In 1900 was begun the erection of the present large plant of the company, which is located on East Broadway and the main line of the New York Central Railroad and is one of the large industrial concerns of Toledo. It covers thirteen acres of ground and employs an average of four hundred men, utilizing annually thirty thousand tons of iron. About the time the plant was completed the company was merged into the United States Steel Corporation, taking the name of the American Bridge Company, which has its headquarters at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Since that time Mr. Riggs has held the position of general manager, his previous experience well qualifying him for the important duties that devolve upon him in this connection. By reason of the magnitude of the plant his duties are heavy and of a most important character. His collegiate training and wide experience have enabled him wisely to handle most important interests and find ready solution for complex problems that arise in connection with the prosecution of the work.

On the 11th of October, 1893, Mr. Riggs was united in marriage to Miss Alma M. Fassett, a daughter of Elias Fassett, who at one time was a prominent citizen of Toledo and has now passed away. Mrs. Riggs was born in this city and is a graduate of the high school, and for one year she was a student in Wellesley College near Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Riggs are members of the Ashland Avenue Baptist church. He has been president of the Alumni Association of Iowa State College since 1920, and is identified also with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club, and the Business Men's Club; also the American Society of Civil Engineers, admission to the membership of which is an indication of high professional skill and efficiency.

EDGAR M. FLOWERS

Edgar M. Flowers is well known to the residents of this city as an able young attorney and he plays an equally prominent part in business affairs, being actuated by the spirit of enterprise and determination characteristic of Toledo's native sons. He was born June 10, 1888, and is a son of Joseph W. and Jessie D. (Hovey) Flowers, the former a native of Maumee and the latter of Cleveland, Ohio. The father is one of Toledo's foremost citizens and his name has become a synonym for civic loyalty and public spirit. He was one of the organizers of the Chamber of Commerce and for a number of years acted as its secretary, his efforts

in that connection proving beneficially resultant. He is an exceptionally capable business man and as president of the Flowers Mausoleum Company he has built up an industry of large proportions, extending his operations to various cities in this and other states.

Edgar M. Flowers, an only son, was graduated from the Central high school of Toledo when seventeen years of age and he then entered the law department of the University of Michigan, which conferred upon him the LL. B. degree in 1909. He entered upon the work of his profession in this city and for eight years was a member of the law firm of Hall, Flowers, & Cotter, while he is now a partner of Nicholas J. Walinski. They have built up a large clientele and their business in the courts is constantly increasing in volume and importance. While advancement at the bar is proverbially slow, Mr. Flowers has made substantial progress, readily mastering the intricacies of the law and preparing his cases with great thoroughness, precision and skill. He has great respect for the dignity of his calling and is regarded as an able minister in the temple of justice. He also has important business interests, being secretary and treasurer of the Flowers Mausoleum Company, and his cooperation has been a valuable factor in promoting the success of the concern.

On the 3d of May, 1916, Mr. Flowers was united in marriage to Miss Cecil B. Kapp, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kapp of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Flowers have a son, Jackson Gordon Flowers, who was born April 28, 1919. Mr. Flowers is a member of the First Congregational church of this city and his political support is given to the republican party. Like his father, he manifests a deep interest in the welfare of his city, which has found expression in his connection with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Toledo Transportation Club, the Sylvania Golf Club and the Masonic fraternity, while his professional relations are with the Toledo and Ohio State Bar associations. He stands high in the regard of his professional colleagues and business associates and although yet a young man he has already accomplished much, utilizing to the utmost the powers and talents with which nature has endowed him.

FRED A. DISCHINGER

Fred A. Dischinger, a native son of Toledo, belongs to that class of successful business men whose progressive spirit and well developed powers have not only resulted in the attainment of individual prosperity but have also contributed substantially to the upbuilding and development of the city. He was born December 21, 1864, and his parents, Frederick and Christina (Allgeur) Dischinger, were of European birth. They came to the United States at a time when sailing ships were the only means of transportation across the Atlantic and established their home in Toledo. The father was for thirty-five years connected with Philip Schmidt. He passed away in Toledo in 1900. The mother's demise occurred in 1918, when she was eighty-five years of age. To their union were born eleven children, four of whom are living: Sophia, Mrs. Katherine Hakins, Rose and Fred A., all residents of Toledo.

After completing his schooling Fred A. Dischinger entered business life as an employe of G. H. Fisher, a well known druggist of this city, with whom he remained for several years, resigning to accept a position with I. N. Reed. Three

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years later he became connected with the H. P. Toby Company, dealers in mill supplies, and with this concern he remained ten years as traveling salesman. On February 6, 1899, he formed a partnership with George E. Hardy, which later became The Hardy-Dischinger Company, of which he is now president. They handle packing oils, grease, paints, belting, mill supplies, etc. The business has become one of the best known of its kind in the city. Extending his efforts into other fields, he has also become prominently identified with various industrial enterprises. He is president of the Cadillac Sand & Gravel Company, vice president of the Ohio-Michigan Sand & Gravel Company and a director of the American Steel Tube Company and the Gridiron Grip Company.

On the 3d of July, 1910, Mr. Dischinger was united in marriage to Miss Theresa Kehoe of this city. He is a member of the Reformed church and is an independent republican in his political views. He is a Knights Templar Mason and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine and is also connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Toledo and Maumee Yacht clubs, the Toledo Commerce Club, the Sylvania Golf Club, and the Turtle Creek Shooting Club, of which he is president. Fishing and hunting have been his chief recreation for years. With progress as his watchword he has made continuous advancement in the business world, each forward step bringing him a broader outlook and wider opportunities. His activities have covered a wide scope and the importance of his interests establishes his position among Toledo's leading business men and valued citizens. His home is at No. 3064 River road.

JULIUS G. LAMSON

For a period of almost five decades Julius G. Lamson has been identified with commercial interests in Toledo and throughout the period he has occupied a position of leadership, inasmuch as a most progressive spirit has characterized all of his undertakings and brought him to a prominent position in connection with the mercantile interests of the city. Mr. Lamson was born at Elbridge, New York, January 29, 1853, a son of Myron H. and Laura E. (Rhoades) Lamson. The family is an old one in America, the progenitor being Barnabas Lamson, who came from Harwich, England, in 1635, and settled at what is now Cambridge, Massachusetts. Myron H. Lamson was a manufacturer of sleighs and carriages at Elbridge, New York, and the later years of his life were spent in Toledo, where his death occurred. His family consisted of three sons and one daughter, as follows: Julius G., C. Edgar B., John D. R. and Mary A.

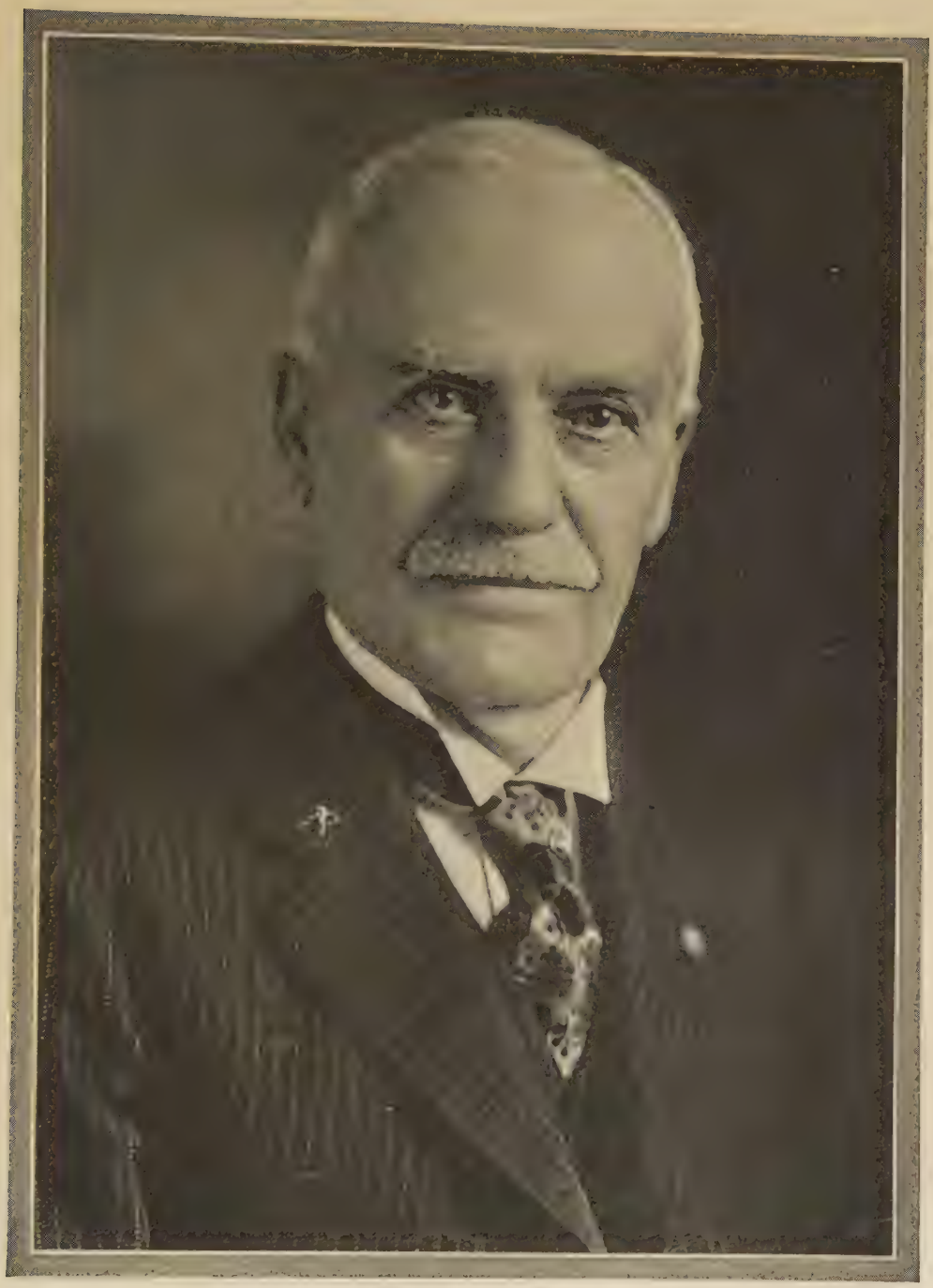
Julius G. Lamson attended the public schools and The Munro Collegiate Institute in his native town and became a resident of Toledo in October, 1873, where his brother, C. E. B. Lamson, had preceded him. The first employment of Julius G. Lamson here was as a clerk in the dry goods store of Trepanier & Cooper, on Summit street. Throughout the intervening period he has been associated with the commercial interests of this city and in October, 1885, he was joined by his brother, the late John D. R. Lamson, in the conduct of a dry goods business under the firm style of Lamson Brothers. Success attended their efforts from the beginning and in 1889 they were joined by the third brother, C. Edgar B. Lamson, who had previously lived in Toledo and had a large acquaintance here but for several years before joining the firm had been a resident of Columbus,

Ohio. Their united efforts led to the continued growth and development of the trade and in 1905 they incorporated their business under the style of The Lamson Brothers Company, with Julius G. Lamson as president and John D. R. Lamson as vice president, while C. Edgar B. Lamson held the position of secretary and treasurer. From the beginning Julius G. Lamson has continued in the presidency of what is today one of the largest, oldest and most reliable mercantile houses of the city. This house, in the upbuilding of which Mr. Lamson has played so important a part, is noteworthy not only for its size and completeness, but also for certain characteristics of its inner workings and life. It has frequently been pointed out as a model for the high standard prevailing among the employes and for the general consideration paid them. Practically all of the about four hundred regular employes of this concern have devoted years of faithful service to the firm and have assumed more than temporary interest in the business, because of assurance of continued employment. This is plainly manifest in the fact that a notably large percentage of these employes have been with the firm for many years. The firm has always maintained the highest standards of commercial integrity, and has conducted its business in accordance with the most progressive mercantile methods. It would be impossible to determine what Toledo's history would be without the contribution made thereto by the Lamson Brothers Company. Actuated by a most determined spirit and high ideals, these men have ever wisely directed their labors, recognizing from the beginning that indifference is the principal cause of failure and that a lack of real interest in a business keeps most men from financial success. Mr. Lamson has ever experienced keen pleasure in finding correct solution for intricate and involved commercial problems and, moreover, he has won his success by his own unaided exertion. At the same time Mr. Lamson has found opportunity for other things in life and has not been slow to assist and encourage those projects which are looking to civic betterment and the promotion of higher standards of individual living.

Mr. Lamson was married on September 4, 1878, to Katharine Tracy, daughter of Doria Tracy of Toledo, and their three daughters are Mrs. H. R. Chamberlin, Mrs. S. E. Vinnedge and Mrs. C. E. Swartzbaugh, Jr., all of Toledo. Mr. Lamson is a member of the Inverness and Commerce clubs, and many other organizations and societies, and is also a director of the First National Bank. He united with the Baptist church at Elbridge, New York, in 1868, and on coming to Toledo, united with the First Baptist church, and has been a member of the Ashland Avenue Baptist church since 1888, and most active in church affairs. He is a trustee of the Ohio Baptist convention, trustee of the Toledo Baptist Union, trustee of Denison University at Granville, Ohio, and president of the Toledo Council of Churches.

FRED J. PUCK

Among the large manufacturing enterprises to which Toledo points with pride and which stands as a monument to the business energy, foresight and progressive spirit of its promoters is that of the Western Manufacturing Company, owning and operating a large plant devoted to the manufacture of lumber and mill work. Of this company Fred J. Puck is the vice president. His alertness, his sagacity and his unabating industry have been strong points in the continued success of the undertaking, which was founded by his father and is visible evidence of the



JOHN H. PUCK

active business life led by both father and son. Fred J. Puck was born in Toledo, September 24, 1873, his parents being John H. and Anna (Westerhause) Puck, the latter of European birth but a resident of America from early life. The father was born in Wood county, Ohio, and they were married in Toledo. Later Mr. Puck entered into business, establishing, following the Civil war, what is now the Western Manufacturing Company, conducting a wood manufacturing business. The plant was built in 1870 and has grown to be one of the important manufacturing interests of the city, employing seventy-five men. Mr. Puck is still an active factor in connection with the enterprise, although he has reached the age of eighty years. During the Civil war period he put aside all business and personal considerations and joined the Union army, enlisting as a volunteer in the Thirty-seventh Ohio Infantry, with which he served from 1862 until 1865. He was wounded in the battle of Jonesboro and again in the siege of Vicksburg. He has held many offices of public honor and trust and served for one term as representative from his district in the Ohio legislature. He was also appointed collector of customs during the administration of President Grover Cleveland. Mr. and Mrs. John H. Puck are the parents of four children: Mrs. Paul Kuehn, now living in Denver, Colorado; Mrs. Margaret Jaspersen of St. Marys, Ohio; Almeda and Fred J., both in Toledo.

On leaving the high school Fred J. Puck started out in the business world by securing a clerical position. He was then sixteen years of age and entered the employ of the Western Manufacturing Company, in which he set himself resolutely to the task of learning the business and winning promotion as the result of his thoroughness and ability. Steadily he has gained promotion until he is now vice president of this company, which is doing a substantial business in mill work and lumber manufacturing.

On the 1st of July, 1896, Mr. Puck was married to Miss Louise Stamm of Toledo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Stamm. Mr. Puck is a member of the Toledo Commerce Club. He also belongs to St. Mathew's Lutheran church and during the World war period he served as an officer in the Y. M. C. A. work at Camp Sherman for six months. Whatever tends toward progress and improvement, toward reform and betterment of social, business or political conditions, receives his endorsement and support and at all times his course has won for him the respect and goodwill of his fellowmen.

LUCY KIRK PEEL, D. O.

While Dr. Lucy Kirk Peel has made for herself an enviable position through the practice of osteopathy, it is by reason of her effective and resultant labors along all those lines which make for civic progress and national betterment that she has become most widely known. She has indeed lived and labored to goodly ends through her work in behalf of the cause of temperance, through her labors in the church and her active cooperation with all forces which raise the ideals and standards by which men are guided and directed.

A native of Kirksville, Missouri, Lucy Kirk Peel is a daughter of John G. and Minerva (Sloan) Kirk. Her parents were pioneers of that section and her father was the founder of the town of Kirksville, which was named in his honor. He was not only instrumental in establishing the city but was most actively asso-

ciated with the growth and development of the entire countryside. He drove the peg which marked the location of the county seat of Adair county and in blazing the way for civilization Mrs. Kirk also did her full share. She was an obstetrician and for forty-five years rode on horseback all over the country wherever her services were needed. She was known to the Indians of the then pioneer west as the "medicine woman" and she had their entire respect and protection as she cheerfully answered their call for assistance.

Lucy Kirk attended the country schools and later the Kirksville public school, while subsequently she was graduated from the Missouri State Normal. In early womanhood she was married and became the mother of a son and a daughter, who reached young manhood and womanhood but both died of tuberculosis and she was thus left alone. She became a student in the American School of Osteopathy in Kirksville and in February, 1901, was graduated with the degree of doctor of osteopathy.

Coming to Ohio Dr. Peel practiced in Findlay, this state, until 1913. She was gifted by nature with oratorical power and ability and, moreover, has long been intensely interested in suffrage, in temperance and in philanthropic work. Feeling that she could be more useful in a larger field she removed to Toledo in June, 1913, and here she placed her membership in the Central Christian church and became prominent in all of its activities, including the work of the Sunday school. She has long been a member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and of the Anti-Saloon League and in 1916 the latter organization sent her on a tour through Michigan, where she remained for a year, lecturing on behalf of the cause of temperance. She was at the head of the scientific department of the temperance movement and delivered many lectures on the physiological effects of alcohol on the mind and body. She lectured throughout the campaign to make Ohio dry and for her splendid work she received many expressions of appreciation for what she accomplished and for her ability as a convincing speaker. J. Y. Montague, former executive secretary of the Lucas County Dry Federation, wrote to her in part: "Your knowledge, together with your personal appearance and oratorical ability, enables you not only to interest but to convince your hearers, whether from the pulpit or in the factory or upon the street. You have done much in Toledo towards helping to reduce the wet majority of this city." From W. V. Waltman, district superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Michigan, she had the following: "I wish to say that I believe your work was one of the most effective agencies which was used in making Michigan dry. And after visiting your place of exhibits and noticing those who were in attendance, I feel sure that you did splendid work over the entire state." W. R. Smith, chairman of the Jackson County Dry Federation said in part: "I wish to express to you my appreciation of your work done in this campaign. We believe the work done by you was the means of making a great many dry votes; in fact, the good resulting from your efforts cannot be estimated, as even the influence upon those already dry and the good influence on some who otherwise might not at once be converted to the dry cause, is beyond estimate." Jason E. Hammond, campaign manager of the United Dry Campaign of Kent county, Michigan, in writing of Dr. Peel and her work said: "Dr. Lucy Kirk Peel, lecturer, spent three weeks in Kent county. And for personal work among the voters, lecturing at headquarters on scientific and social problems, native ability, pleasing personality and devotion to the cause, she has few equals. Given the proper support where her work can be done to the best advantage, she will do the rest and bring results in a campaign which, though performed in a way dif-

ferent from some noted persons like Sunday or Bryan, yet wins like results. She deserves a place in a large city, where the tide of humanity ebbs and flows, where she can come in touch with thousands of people who need the encouragement of her strong personality and loving heart."

Dr. Peel remains an active member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and is chairman of social, morality and prison work in Lucas county. She served on the central democratic committee during the last campaign, lecturing in Toledo and Lucas county and she has been a prominent suffrage worker, doing all in her power to secure right of franchise for women. She is the president of the Harry E. Kern auxiliary of the American Legion and she is a member of the Toledo Women's Club, treasurer of the Missionary Society of her church and is an active worker along various other lines, which have proven widely beneficial to humanity. She has done much work among the prisoners in the penal institutions and included in her treasures are letters from those who have been led to a better way of living through her kindly encouragement and assistance. For some time Dr. Peel has been chairman of the welfare committee of the Lucas County Council of American Legion auxiliaries, and in November, 1922, was appointed hospital chairman of the Northwest Division of American Legion auxiliaries of Ohio, having charge of hospitalization in the district.

After losing her own children Dr. Peel educated two young people until they were able to care for themselves, making this in a way a memorial service for the son and daughter whom she had lost. In her work Dr. Peel has received a large measure of success and has devoted a large share of her means to philanthropic deeds. In 1917 she received into her home Joseph Francis More, a young man who was an orphan, that she might be a mother and counselor to him. Almost immediately, however, he went abroad with the famous Rainbow Division, with which he served for nineteen months. He was badly gassed, suffered from shell shock and was wounded. Dr. Peel's most treasured possession is a letter written by him on the eve of a battle, portraying what a man's thoughts and feelings are when he realizes that he may not come back. The letter is here given in full:

"En route to the front
July 28, '18

"My Dearest Mother:

"I am returning to the front and I feel as though something is going to happen to me. Mother dear, if it is God's will that we shall never meet again, although I cannot foresee my future, I want to assure you that I have remained a man, true to my country, to my God and to you. If I should fall on the field of battle you may be sure that the last word to leave my mouth will be your name and it will be the expression of my love for you—and mother, my dear, please do not grieve over my death; remember that you cannot bring me back with all your grief and sorrow, nor will it help your own self. I shall not ask you to forget me, for I know that would be too much but let that little service flag direct your work in memory of your son, who gave his life for democracy. And now, mother, I want to thank you for every little thing you have done for me and for your devotion. May God bless you.

Your ever loving son
Joseph More."

This was written in pencil on one sheet of paper and though he did not pass through the "valley of the shadow" he was in a pitiful condition on arriving

home. At Christmas time, 1921, though he was over age, Dr. Peel legally adopted him. He attended the University of Toledo and in 1922 received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He was prominent in all the activities of the university, its athletics and was on the football team in 1921. He was also president of the Glee Club, member of Alpha Chi Omega fraternity, the Varsity Club, and was on the Teaser staff. He is now attending the University at Columbia, Missouri, pursuing a course in journalism. He is on the editorial staff of the college paper, "The Missourian." Following the guidance of Dr. Peel he is a member of the Central Christian church and one of the teachers in its Sunday school.

DUDLEY WATSON MOOR

In the history of real estate development in Toledo the name of Dudley Watson Moor figures prominently, inasmuch as he has long been associated with business here as a realtor and for many years has enjoyed an extensive clientele. He comes to Ohio from New England, his birth having occurred in Waterville, Maine, September 23, 1865. He is descended from Scotch-Irish and English ancestry. In the paternal line his ancestors emigrated from the north of Ireland, settling in New Hampshire in 1727 and the record that appears on one of the old tombstones in Pembrooke county in that state gives testimony to the service of Captain Daniel Moor in the Revolutionary war. He was the eldest son of James and Agnes (Galbraith) Moor, progenitors of the family on the American continent. Daniel Moor, living at Pembrooke, New Hampshire, was among the first to respond to the call for troops to aid in opposing British tyranny among the colonies and was in active service at Bunker Hill. He also commanded a company as captain in the conflict at Trenton and Monmouth and was with that unfortunate expedition to Quebec where the fates seemed to be against the American forces. On an old tombstone erected "in honor of Deacon James Moor" appears the following epitaph:

> "This Man of God in Pembrooke church did stand;
> A willing servant among the sacred band,
> Advanced in years the message swiftly came,
> 'Depart O'Moor, in Heaven to shout my name.' "

Dudley W. Moor has every reason to be proud of an honored and honorable ancestry, for he can trace his lineage back to the Dudley and Winthrop families, from whom came two of the sturdy governors of Massachusetts in early colonial days, while various other representatives of the name have loyally served their country in times of peace and of war.

Dudley W. Moor was reared in Maine, where he resided until his twentieth year, at which time the father removed with the family to Ohio. Here the son entered the office of George E. Pomeroy & Son, then one of the oldest firms operating in real estate in Toledo. For six years he remained with that company, gaining broad experience and also acquiring capital that later enabled him to establish business on his own account. From 1893 until 1903 he dealt independently in real estate and won a large patronage, negotiating many important realty transfers. He became recognized as one of the expert valuators of realty and in 1903, upon the formation of the Moor Brothers Realty Company, when William

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H. Moor became associated with the business, Toledo had reached that period of development when subdivisions were in demand, and at the present time the firm is interested in such properties leading in all directions to the suburbs. In every particular they are abreast of the times in regard to realty dealing and their business is now one of most gratifying proportions.

Dudley W. Moor has been married twice. A son of his first marriage, Rev. N. R. High Moor, is now rector of Grace church at Sandusky, Ohio, and his three sons, Dudley, Winthrop and George, have been students in Hobart College at Geneva, New York, and in the Toledo high school. From early manhood Mr. Moor has been a member of the Trinity Episcopal church and he is also a loyal follower of Masonic teachings, belonging to Collins Lodge, F. & A. M. He likewise belongs to the Toledo Yacht Club and to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and has membership with the Maumee Pioneer and Historical Society, the Historical Society of Northwestern Ohio and other similar organizations. He has always been much interested in historical data and made earnest attempt to preserve the old Maumee courthouse from being demolished, as it would have made an interesting repository of relics. He has served as president of the Anthony Wayne Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and is eligible to membership in the Society of Colonial Wars through descent from Governors Dudley, Winthrop and Winslow, and also to the Mayflower Society through Francis Cook, who was one of the passengers on that little ship that reached Plymouth Rock in 1620. While his ancestors were active in formulating the policy and promoting the upbuilding of the colonies, Mr. Moor is equally loyal in his support of modern-day plans and projects for the upbuilding and development of the city and state of his adoption. Mr. Moor's city residence is at No. 2253 Glenwood avenue, while his summer home, "Turkey Foot Crest," overlooks Turkey Foot Rock, the site of the battle field of Fallen Timbers, and is one of the historic spots along the Maumee.

EDWARD B. MITCHELL

Edward B. Mitchell, who since 1920 became the president of the Acorn Supply Company of Toledo and who has throughout his life been connected with the lumber business, illustrates in his career what can be accomplished by determined purpose and laudable ambition. The accomplishment of his purpose serves but as an impetus for renewed effort on his part and he is constantly reaching out along broadening lines, whereby he has been the promoter and builder not only of his own fortunes but of the city's commercial development as well. Mr. Mitchell was born in Washington, D. C., on the 21st of November 1855, and is a son of William Henry and Cynderella (Heitchue) Mitchell. The father was engaged in the lumber trade, devoting his life to business of that character. The son entered the public schools at the usual age, mastering the work of successive grades and of the high school as well and when his textbooks were put aside he, too, became a factor in connection with the lumber industry and has labored in this field throughout the intervening years to the present. In 1873 he arrived in Toledo and secured a position with a lumber company, with which he worked as helper until 1879. In 1880 he went to Cleveland, Ohio, where he obtained a position as traveling salesman with a lumber concern and there remained until 1900, or for a period of

twenty years. He then returned to Toledo, where he had since made his home, and the wise utilization of his time, talents and opportunities has brought him to the position of prominence which he fills in connection with the commercial upbuilding of the city. He has been associated with the Acorn Supply Company since its organization in 1915, at which time he was elected to the vice presidency. The business was incorporated with a capital stock of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars and entered upon an era of gradual growth and development. In 1920 Mr. Mitchell was elected to the presidency of the company, which now enjoys a large and profitable trade, due in no small part to his capability and wise management, based upon the broad experience which he had previously enjoyed as a factor in lumber trade circles. The Acorn Supply Company handles lumber, builders supplies, coal and hardware, having four yards and employing forty people in various capacities.

Mr. Mitchell was united in marriage to Miss Ella Nolan of Clyde, Ohio, who passed away in November, 1900, highly esteemed for her many splendid qualities of heart and mind. They have no children of their own but educated four children, thus qualifying them for life's practical and responsible duties. Mrs. Mitchell's career was fraught with good deeds and kindly purposes and Mr. Mitchell ever shared with her in her task for alleviating the hard conditions of life for the unfortunate. Aside from his interests as a business man in the city he owns and surpervises a farm and his management thereof constitutes one of the chief sources of his rest and recreation.

GEORGE J. GRADWOHL

The name of George J. Gradwohl has been associated with the meat trade of Toledo for an extended period and since 1915 has figured prominently in connection with the wholesale trade of the city. Step by step he has advanced since starting out in the business world and each forward step has brought to him a broader outlook and wider opportunities. The story of what he has accomplished may well serve as a source of emulation to others who desire to win progress through individual effort. Mr. Gradwohl was born September 26, 1874, in Adrian, Michigan, his parents being John and Caroline (Kimmerlin) Gradwohl. The father was a machinist, following that business in order to provide for the support of his family. The son spent his youthful days under the parental roof and has been identified with the meat trade from early boyhood. His educational opportunities were limited, but in the university of hard knocks he has learned many valuable lessons. He started out to earn his living by working as wagon boy for Jacob Folger, a pioneer meat packer of this city, with whom he continued for ten years, winning gradual advancement as his capability and efficiency increased. At length he felt that his earnings and his experience justified him in engaging in business on his own account and he then established a retail meat market. This he conducted with growing success until 1915, when he opened a wholesale house, which he has since operated. The business is now one of large and gratifying proportions and the boy who a few years ago was selling meat from a wagon is now at the head of an enterprise that returns to him a most gratifying annual income.

In October, 1911, Mr. Gradwohl was united in marriage to Miss Martha

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Ballert of Toledo and in this city they have many friends who esteem them highly for their sterling worth. Mr. Gradwohl belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the Commerce Club, of the Toledo Automobile Club and of the Maumee Yacht Club and he finds his chief recreation in yachting and fishing. To these he turns when leisure permits and his success has reached the point where it is possible for him to put aside business cares at intervals and indulge in those sports which yield him genuine pleasure. His commercial career is indeed commendable, for thoroughness and unfaltering industry have been the vital forces that have brought him to his present-day point of success. Mr. Gradwohl's home is at No. 1850 Glendale avenue.

LEANDER SOLOMON BAUMGARDNER

Thirteen years have been added to the cycle of the centuries since Leander Solomon Baumgardner ceased from his labors and passed to the home beyond. For many decades he had been closely associated with the commercial activity and development of Toledo and there still stands as a monument to his power and ability the large mercantile house conducted under the style of Baumgardner & Company. This is a wholesale dry goods establishment, which has figured prominently in the commercial upbuilding of the city and its unsullied reputation through all the years is based upon the integrity and reliability of the founder. Ohio is always proud to number men of such stability and worthy purpose among her native sons. It was in East Union township of Wayne county, Ohio, that Leander Baumgardner was born, on the 10th of February, 1832, a son of Peter and Catherine (Heller) Baumgardner. The father was a native of Baden, Germany, but was only fourteen years of age when he came to the United States in 1812. His wife was born in Hellertown, Pennsylvania, and was of German lineage. In 1830 they removed to Wayne county, Ohio, casting in their lot with its pioneer settlers and there, on the home farm, L. S. Baumgardner remained to the age of ten years, when he was bound out to a neighboring farmer after the custom of the time. One of the provisions of this contract was that he should be allowed to attend school during the winter months; but his employer did not live up to this agreement and his educational opportunities were accordingly very limited, though in the school of experience he learned many valuable lessons and became, in the course of years, a man of wide general information and notably sound judgment. He continued to work at farm labor until he reached the age of twenty-two years, after which he devoted his attention largely to commercial pursuits. When he withdrew from agricultural life he entered into partnership with his elder brothers, J. H. and T. P. Baumgardner, in the ownership and conduct of a store at Wooster, Ohio, where they sold drugs, stationery, musical instruments and other lines. They began the business in 1854 under the style of J. H. Baumgardner & Company and from the beginning prosperity attended the undertaking, so that after three years they were able to erect a building, which they called the Arcadome building, on the top floor of which was a public hall, the first of its kind in Wooster. Not long after they had become occupants of this new building the firm began the publication of a newspaper, chiefly for the purpose of making it an advertising medium, and the editorial management of this journal devolved upon Leander S. and J. H. Baumgardner.

The former continued an active factor in mercantile circles in Wooster until 1865, when he sold his interest in the business and took up his abode on a farm, which he had purchased at Cuyahoga Falls in Summit county. After a year, however, he felt that agricultural life was not his course and in 1866 he came to Toledo. That year witnessed the establishment of the wholesale dry goods house under the style of L. S. Baumgardner & Company, the business including notions, men's furnishings and kindred lines. It met a want in the trade conditions of this section of the country and the business of the house steadily grew and developed, keeping pace with Toledo's constant expansion and remaining to this day one of the foremost commercial enterprises of the city. Its business policy was dictated by Mr. Baumgardner, who ever based his activities upon thorough reliability and unassailable integrity. He always carried large and attractive lines of goods, including the latest products of the market of this and other countries and it was his purpose ever to please his patrons in all trade transactions, recognizing the fact that satisfied customers are the best advertisement. He also become widely known in financial circles and at one time was president of the Continental Bank & Trust Company and a director of the Northern National Bank. He occupied the presidency of the Fremont Furniture Company and he acquired large real estate holdings, making judicious investments from time to time. While he held considerable residence property he also built and at the time of his death owned the Collingwood Hall, which by the terms of his will remains in possession of Mrs. Baumgardner until her demise and then passes to the Old Ladies Home of Toledo. Mr. Baumgardner was zealously interested in every project bearing upon the welfare, progress and upbuilding of Toledo in this section of the country. During his residence in Wooster he was one of the organizers of the Wooster Library Association and he took a leading part in establishing the Tri-State Fair Association, of which he became the first president. At the outset there was no working capital but the executive ability displayed by Mr. Baumgardner in the management of the project during the seven years in which he occupied the presidency, led to the success of the undertaking until its receipts in that period amounted to over two hundred and sixty thousand dollars and permanent improvements were made to the amount of sixty thousand dollars. Moreover, the fair had an incalculable benefit over the surrounding territory by stimulating pride in production of all kinds, thus promoting business activity. Mr. Baumgardner was likewise actively interested in the Merchants & Manufacturers Exchange, the predecessor of the board of trade and other such organizations having to do with the commercial and industrial development and prosperity of the city. Nor did he withhold his activity from the political field. He was a recognized factor in republican circles, working earnestly to secure the adoption of the principles in which he believed and in 1879 he was the mayoralty candidate of his party in Toledo, on which occasion he received the support of many a democratic voter as well as republican followers. In 1880 he was mentioned as a candidate for congress and at all times his opinions carried weight in the councils of his party. Perhaps his greatest public service was in connection with the Citizens Electric Light Company, which gave to Toledo one of its most valued utilities. When the corporation became seriously involved in financial difficulties he was made its president and called upon to reorganize its affairs. As the result of his tact and energy he effected a consolidation of the United States, the Brush and the Thomson-Houston companies, with a capital stock of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. As president of the new organization he had soon placed it upon a paying basis and at the same time the people were

supplied with better lighting than they had ever enjoyed before. His unfaltering energy and the soundness of his judgment proved valuable assets to any projects with which he became associated.

On the 25th of April, 1858, Mr. Baumgardner was married to Miss Matilda E. Miller, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Miller of Akron, Ohio, and together they traveled life's journey for more than half a century, sharing with each other in the joys and sorrows, the adversity and the prosperity, which enter the careers of all, their mutual love and confidence increasing as the years passed by. In his later years he spent the winter months in Florida, and there, at Bradentown, his death occurred, on the 3d of March, 1909. His remains were brought back to Toledo for interment and on the day of the funeral his long-time friend and close associate, David Robinson, Jr., said of him: "It pained me greatly to learn of the death of my old friend, Leander S. Baumgardner. We were children, boys and men together, both having been born in Wayne county, Ohio, and there is no person living whom I have known so long and so intimately as him. I do not remember ever having known any person who was so uniformly the same, whether in his social or business life; he had no excesses, no extremes, he was of unusual equipoise. In all his business life he was fair and honorable, and I believe would have preferred to suffer loss himself rather than make an error whereby anyone should lose through him in any transaction. He had always the interests of the city of Toledo at heart and manifested it in every way when opportunity presented itself; and if opportunity did not offer he would create the opportunity. He was always active in public enterprise and a leader among leaders. It cannot be otherwise than that he will be greatly missed, not only by his family and his immediate friends, but also by all who knew him in his business and everyday life. He has left too many monuments among us of his perseverance, beneficence and industry, to city, church and state, to summarize them, and they cannot be forgotten. As we stand today in the presence of his taking off and in the passing cortège, the whole city acclaims with one accord: 'Thou hast gone from among us for ever!' And I can say, 'Go sainted friend, farewell!—hail and farewell.'" The Northern National Bank adopted memorial resolutions, paying merited tribute to his talents and energies as a business man and citizen and in the hearts of his many friends his memory is cherished, for he made himself a warm and enduring place in the affection of those with whom he came into contact.

ERNEST W. LATTIN

Ernest W. Lattin, a native son of Toledo, has devoted his entire life to the meat business, in which he now occupies a position of leadership, and for many years the family has figured prominently in commercial circles of the city in connection with this line of activity. He was born February 10, 1882, and is a son of Thomas and Florence (Brock) Lattin, also natives of this city, in which they have always resided. The father entered the meat business, in which he engaged for a considerable period, gaining a comfortable competence which now enables him to live in retirement. Six children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Lattin: J. F., Thomas, J. M., Mrs. Edna Scheeler and Ernest W., all of whom are residents of this city; and Agnes, deceased.

The public schools of Toledo afforded Ernest W. Lattin his educational privi-

leges and his first position was that of delivery boy in the meat market of Herman Dickman. Starting at a salary of three dollars per week, he applied himself to learning the business and as his experience and value increased he was advanced to a position of greater responsibility. He carefully saved his earnings and in 1904 acquired control of the business, which he has since successfully conducted. It was operated under the style of Lattin Brothers until 1912, when the present name of the Lattin Market Company was adopted, and Ernest W. Lattin is the president of the firm. He has an expert knowledge of the business, which has steadily developed under his capable management, and he is now controlling the largest wholesale and retail meat market in the city, employing about fifty persons.

Mr. Lattin was married February 27, 1908, to Miss May Trudeau, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Trudeau, prominent residents of this city, and they have a daughter, Natalie, who was born in 1910 and is a public school pupil. Mr. Lattin is a communicant of the Roman Catholic church. He is a valued member of the Chamber of Commerce and his fraternal connections are with the Loyal Order of Moose and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. His initiative spirit, tenacity of purpose and executive powers have enabled him to build up a large mercantile undertaking and in business circles of Toledo the name of Lattin has long stood as a synonym for enterprise, integrity and reliability. He resides at No. 20 Edgewater Park.

CHARLES RUSSELL CLAPP

While a successful member of the Toledo bar for a number of years and since his retirement from law practice secretary and treasurer of the National Supply Company, Charles Russell Clapp has never allowed business or professional interests to monopolize his time and attention but has found opportunity to aid in projects which are looking to the betterment of conditions, especially affecting the welfare of children. In this field of labor he is widely known and his efforts have been far-reaching and resultant. Mr. Clapp was born at Ballston Spa, in Saratoga county, New York, March 5, 1867, his parents being Russell Palmer and Medelia (Hale) Clapp. He acquired a common school education in his native town and afterward attended Colgate Academy and the Colgate University at Hamilton, Madison county, New York. He was graduated from Colgate University with the Bachelor of Philosophy degree in 1891, after which he entered upon preparation for the bar and was admitted to practice in the state of New York in 1893. He there followed his profession until 1896, when he was admitted to practice before the courts of Ohio, and in 1897 was admitted to practice in the supreme court of the United States. He devoted his attention to the active work of the profession until 1908, when he gave up law practice to become secretary and treasurer of the National Supply Company and still occupies that official position, being thus active in the control of one of the important commercial interests of Toledo. He is also a director of the Commerce-Guardian Trust & Savings Bank of this city.

On the 5th of June, 1918, Mr. Clapp was married at Atlanta, Georgia, to Miss Jennie Mobley, a daughter of John Robert and Josephine Mobley. They are parents of one child, Josephine Mobley Clapp. They hold membership in the First Congregational church on Collingwood avenue and Mr. Clapp is also a member of the Masonic order, Delta Kappa Epsilon, a college fraternity, and Phi Beta Kappa.

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In club circles, too, he is well known through his connection with the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club, the Inverness Club, is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and of the Rotary Club. While appreciative of the social amenities of life, he has ever been cognizant of its duties and obligations and has done active and effective work as vice president of the Newsboys' Association and as trustee of the Lucas County Children's Home. His interest in these organizations is deep and abiding and he has had marked influence in advancing higher ideals of manliness and citizenship among the members of the Newsboys' Association. His residence is at No. 1825 Collingwood avenue.

EDWARD TIBBETTS

Among the varied manufacturing enterprises which have been important factors in promoting industrial activity in Toledo is that of the Consolidated Pump Company, of which Edward Tibbetts is the president, and for fifty years he has been connected with the business which he is now controlling, winning his present position through merit and ability. He was born in Buffalo, New York, February 24, 1850, a son of John and Elizabeth (Holloway) Tibbetts, the former also a native of the Empire state and the latter of London, England. The mother was brought to the United States during her infancy and her parents settled in New York state, where her marriage occurred. John Tibbetts devoted his attention to the general contracting business, being associated with his brother-in-law, and his entire life was spent within the borders of his native state. Both he and the mother have passed away.

The public schools of Buffalo, New York, afforded Edward Tibbetts his educational opportunities and when twenty years of age he came to Toledo, arriving in this city on the 9th of June, 1870. He learned the stonecutter's trade, which he followed for several years and in 1872 he entered the employ of the Toledo Pump Company. He worked for three years in the factory, thus gaining a practical knowledge of the mechanical end of the business, and in 1875 he was made traveling representative for the firm. His genial nature, forceful personality and thorough dependability well qualified him for this position, and he had no difficulty in securing orders for the products manufactured by the company, being firmly convinced of their durability and superior grade. For forty years he remained on the road, developing expert ability as a salesman and gaining a host of stanch friends in the territory which he covered, for he has closely followed the Golden Rule and his word is always to be relied upon. In 1895, in association with J. C. A. Leppelman and G. M. McCarty, he bought out the interests of the Toledo Pump Company and the business has since been continued under the name of the Consolidated Pump Company, of which Mr. Tibbetts is the president, while Mr. Leppelman is serving as secretary and treasurer. They manufacture pumps and ladders, having a well equipped plant in which they employ fifty workmen, and their trade covers a wide territory, their products being shipped to all parts of the United States and also to points in Mexico and Canada. Mr. Tibbetts has devoted practically his entire life to this business, of which he has a highly specialized knowledge, and he carefully supervises every detail of its operation, while he also has the ability to see clearly its larger aspects, and displays marked executive power in the management of the undertaking, which has greatly prospered under his guidance, ranking

with Toledo's leading productive industries. He has made judicious investments in real estate and is the owner of valuable property in the city, including attractive apartment buildings and residences in the most desirable sections of Toledo.

Mr. Tibbetts has been married twice. On the 15th of December, 1881, at Albany, New York, he wedded Miss Caroline Koons, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William P. Koons of that city. Her death occurred September 14, 1916. On the 7th of February, 1919, Mr. Tibbetts was married at Hamburg, New York, to Miss Mary Koons, a sister of his first wife. Mr. Tibbetts gives his political allegiance to the republican party, for he believes that its principles contain the best elements of good government, and loyally supports all those measures which are projected for the advancement and upbuilding of his city. He has fought life's battles unaided and his success is the result of intense application, ceaseless watchfulness of opportunity, self-confidence and a readiness to assume responsibility. High and honorable purposes have guided him in every relation and no resident of Toledo enjoys in a greater degree the respect, admiration and esteem of its citizens.

ARTHUR TIMOTHY BELL

Arthur Timothy Bell, head and founder of the bond house of A. T. Bell & Company, is a well known figure in bond and investment security circles in Toledo. He was born in Fremont, Ohio, September 11, 1884, and his parents were Charles W. and Nellie M. (Bush) Bell, the former a native of Rock Island, Illinois, and the latter of Fremont, this state. As a young man the father came to Ohio and in Toledo he was for many years engaged in the wholesale shoe trade as a member of the firm of R. H. Lane & Company. He passed away in this city in 1901. The mother's demise occurred in December, 1919. In their family were two children: Harrold W., who is connected with the Libbey-Owens Glass Company of Toledo; and Arthur Timothy.

Arthur T. Bell completed his high school course in Toledo and then entered Yale University, from which he was graduated in the class of 1906, with the degree of Civil Engineer. Taking up the work of his profession, he entered the employ of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad Company, at that time constructing its Puget Sound extension through the Cascade mountains in the state of Washington. For two years he was thus occupied and in 1908 he returned to Toledo, entering the engineering department of the Toledo Division of the New York Central Railroad, with which he was connected for four years. He then discontinued his professional activities and became associated with the bond firm of Hoehler & Cummings, which later operated under the style of Cummings, Prudden & Company, in which Mr. Bell subsequently became a partner. Following the dissolution of the partnership in December, 1918, Mr. Bell organized the firm of A. T. Bell & Company, which began business on January 1, 1919, and of which he has since been the head. This firm is one of the very few houses that handles United States municipal bonds exclusively and is recognized as one of the representative bond houses of Toledo. Its growth has been both rapid and substantial and the acquirement of its high class clientele attests the straightforward business methods employed. Associated with Mr. Bell are A. B. Morrison, who has charge of the buying department, and B. S. Meilink, who attends to the sales.

On the 29th of September, 1915, in Toledo, Mr. Bell was united in marriage to

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Miss Ruby May Richardson. Mrs. Bell is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Richardson and belongs to one of the prominent families of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Bell have two children: Susan Barrett, who was born September 1, 1916; and Arthur Richardson, born March 7, 1920.

Mr. Bell in his political connection is a republican and in club circles is well known, being a member of the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club, the Toledo Commerce Club and he belongs to the Detroit Athletic Club, of which he is one of the early members, and also to the University Club of Detroit. Fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order. His residence is at No. 2210 Robinwood avenue.

WILLIAM T. JACKSON

Stronger and stronger is becoming the tendency to place the administration of public affairs in the hands of thoroughgoing, substantial and representative business men who will bring to bear their wide knowledge and experience gleaned from business in handling the public interests of a community. It was this tendency that made William T. Jackson the choice for the office of director of public service for Toledo, under the administration of Mayor B. F. Brough, and his course has shown that the confidence reposed in him was well placed. He has for a number of years been prominently known as a contractor and builder, being vice president of the firm of Joseph Jackson & Sons. He was born in Toledo, May 8, 1876, and is a son of Joseph Jackson, mentioned at length on another page of this work.

William T. Jackson attended the public schools and was graduated from the Central high school when seventeen years of age. Later he attended the Davis Business College of Toledo and following his graduation therefrom he took up office work with the Snell Cycle Fittings Company. Following the suspension of that business in 1904, he began work with his father along contracting lines and in this has continued uninterruptedly to the present time, during which he has mastered every phase of the business, so that his activities are an essential element in the successful conduct and growth of the business of Joseph Jackson & Sons. In 1921 Mr. Jackson was chosen president of the General Contractors' Association, a position which indicates his high standing in building circles. He is also a director of the Toledo Builders' Exchange and one of the directors of the Industry Building & Loan Association. He is likewise a member of the Department of Commerce Federal Building Code Commission and belongs to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, serving on its board of trustees, and is also a member of the Rotary Club. In Masonic circles, too, he is well known, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and he is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. Something of the nature of his recreation is indicated in the fact that he is identified with the Toledo Yacht Club and the Toledo Automobile Club.

On the 28th of September, 1907, Mr. Jackson was united in marriage to Miss Maude Atkins, a daughter of William and Anna Atkins of Toledo. She passed away December 31, 1915, leaving one child, Nan Betty, who was born August 7, 1914. On the 25th of January, 1919, Mr. Jackson was married to Miss Cora Kuhns, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kuhns, of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson are members of the Epworth Methodist Episcopal church and he is serving on the official board. His interest centers in those activities which have their basis in the general welfare and his support can at all times be counted

upon to further any plan or measure for the public good. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, and while he has never been a politician in the sense of office seeking, he consented to fill the position of director of public service, believing it to be the duty of every citizen to render what aid he can in the capable management of public affairs. His conduct of this very important department of the city government, through the application of strict business methods, is one of the outstanding contributions to the success of the present municipal administration. He fully meets every obligation and every responsibility devolving upon him and his public record, like his private life, has brought him high endorsement and warm regard.

The following article appeared in the Chamber of Commerce Journal of Toledo in March, 1923.. "Regardless of your politics, you'll have to admit that Bill Jackson, contractor and trustee of the Chamber of Commerce, has made good. Even political writers on what is considered an anti-administration newspaper have practically conceded that. Jackson not only has made good for himself, but for the entire Brough administration, because he supplanted politics, wire-pulling, plum-awarding and political whatnot with plain ordinary business sense. He has worked shoulder to shoulder with the mayor in perfect accord. In his first year as the service director of the city Jackson saved close to seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars, or more than two thousand dollars a day. And he received about twelve dollars a day for doing this. The service director has made an enviable record for himself and this record is shared with the entire administration of which he has been an important part.

"Jackson took the job, knowing that he was going to make a financial sacrifice. Friends say that his salary of forty-five hundred dollars as service director was less than one-quarter of what he could earn in the contracting business. Yet Jackson yielded to the appeal of Mayor Brough and business men and took his cabinet place. The job was accepted only on the condition that he could operate the city's business as he would his own. He started right off the reel to correct some of the things he had noticed. He demanded that workers put eight hours on the job, just as they do in business. They were told to ride to and from jobs on their own and not the city's time. 'Soldiering,' which he had noticed in the street department, was ordered eliminated. It had been the custom to send a string of wagons and a gang of men out to clean a street. As soon as one wagon was loaded, it would pull ahead and wait for another. When all were loaded, the wagons proceeded in a train to the dump, leaving the men with nothing to do. Jackson changed that, however. He ordered wagons to proceed to the dump as soon as loaded and return to the job at once. Then he proceeded to fire forty foremen and inspectors, saving sixty-five thousand dollars annually in salaries. While city teams were in the barns, other teams were hired. He ended this. He ordered a check put on all tools, stopping losses in that direction. One little item, insignificant as it may seem, will show how Jackson has been on the job. Push brooms that street cleaners use, wear out on the ends near the curbs. Instead of throwing them away, Jackson ordered the worn ends cut off, preserving part of the broom. It's only a small item, but it serves to illustrate the thought that Jackson has given to his job.

"Then he observed that it required ten or twelve painters five weeks to paint the flusher wagons. He put in a paint spray and can do the work in forty-eight hours. Names were painted by hand on the wagons. This cost seven and a half dollars for each wagon. Jackson ordered the names stenciled on at a cost of

fifty cents. In the street department alone, the service director, according to the City Journal, saved four hundred and fifty-six thousand dollars.

"In the engineering department he let all contracts far below the estimates of the department. In the waterworks department, he eliminated a loss of forty thousand dollars yearly on installation charges and saved the city thirty thousand dollars on the settlement of the light and power bill with the Edison Company. He provided what he terms a better road in Walbridge park, at twenty-five thousand dollars less than the estimate made to the former administration.

"These are some of the things he has done. This year, he has the new sewage pumping plant at Bay View Park in operation and hopes to clear up the Swan Creek district with an intercepting sewer. He awarded one four and one-half mile sewer contract at two hundred and eighty-eight thousand dollars less than the engineering estimate. He hopes to effect a settlement with the county on cost of using the city's sewer as well as part of construction costs. Jackson has finally succeeded in starting a plan to dispose of city garbage and refuse by modern incineration methods and has been authorized by council to proceed with plans for one incinerator. He is interested in city planning, zoning and port development study. In addition, during the year he expects to have at least two grade crossing eliminations well under way.

"His plans for this year provide for the most comprehensive program of improvement ever attempted in Toledo. He will supervise the paving of twenty-five streets; open the new Hawley bridge over Swan Creek; get a new safety building under roof by next fall and a dozen other important things. Jackson has hopes of seeing the new Summit street extension carried through to its original destination during his term of office. In a transit survey he is having made, he expects to have Ottawa and Water streets open for heavy trucking streets. He also expressed the hope for a new bridge across the river and the opening of a new route to the south side by rebuilding the Erie street bridge. These are some of the things Bill Jackson has done, will do and is doing. Chamber of Commerce, the city administration and the citizens of Toledo in general can feel gratified that they have in public office a man who really has shown what a 'business administration' can do."

MARY E. LAW, M. D.

Dr. Mary E. Law, a graduate physician and principal of the Law Froebel Kindergarten Training School of Toledo, was born in Buffalo, New York, a daughter of Robert and Elvira (Britt) Law, who are mentioned on another page of this work. During the early girlhood of the daughter the family lived at different places, including Lockport and Buffalo and in the schools of these various towns acquired her primary educational training. After arriving in Toledo she attended the high school in this city, from which in due course of time she was graduated as a member of the class of 1874. For eight years thereafter Miss Law taught successfully in the public schools, but wishing to perfect herself in kindergarten work she entered the Chicago Free Kindergarten School and was graduated therefrom in 1883.

Miss Law then returned to Toledo and in September of that year in conjunction with her sister, she opened a kindergarten in the Westminster church on Superior street, continuing in various locations for five years. The kindergarten

movement had demonstrated its popularity by this time and was no longer in the experimental stage. Miss Law then saw the necessity of establishing a training school for kindergarten teachers and to further perfect herself in her chosen life work during her vacation periods she attended lectures or pursued additional courses of study as she realized that all knowledge, gained in whatever line, broadened the mind and made one more thorough and efficient in one's chosen profession. Thus she has constantly augmented her knowledge and promoted her power and as the result of her labors she has made a notable success of her chosen life work. In 1888 she established her Kindergarten Training School, to which she directed the major part of her attention and efforts until 1893, when she entered the Toledo Medical School, from which she received the M. D. degree in 1896. Dr. Law has never practiced medicine as a profession, but she finds it of great practical benefit to her in the training school, of which she is the head.

She has always closely studied conditions in order to promote progress along professional lines and was instrumental in procuring the adoption of the kindergartens by the public schools of Toledo. While hers was not the first kindergarten of the city, her predecessor having been Miss Lily Lang, Miss Law has nevertheless done much for the sturdy and substantial growth of the movement, by supplying properly trained teachers for the work. With the assistance of her two sisters, Mrs. Card and Mrs. Bissell and other special teachers the school has prospered for nearly forty years. In 1896 they erected a training school at No. 2313 Ashland avenue and today the institution is in a most flourishing condition. The school can accommodate from eighty to one hundred pupils and the students and graduates are in constant demand in all parts of the country. Many come from distant sections of the United States to attend the school and her system of instruction is most thorough and comprehensive, so that her graduates go out well qualified for the duties and responsibilities that confront them.

In 1908 Miss Law adopted a child, a little boy four years of age whom she has called Theodore Roosevelt Law. A very real attachment exists between them and he is making excellent progress in his school work, and is anxious to become an ideal representative of his namesake.

CHRISTOPHER FRANKLIN WALL

The life record of Christopher Franklin Wall touches many lines of activity which have had to do with Toledo's development and welfare. While he started out in the business world a lad in his teens, without special advantages or opportunities, he is now a prominent figure in business circles, being president and general manager of the Toledo Transfer Company. Mr. Wall was born in this city December 25, 1856, a son of Edward and Alice (Ryan) Wall, the father connected with the Toledo Transfer & Bus Company, which was organized about 1848. Christopher F. Wall obtained a public school education, pursuing his studies to the age of about fifteen years. When he was a lad of eleven his father met financial reverses and for some time the family had a difficult struggle, so that when a youth of fifteen Christopher F. Wall began learning the machinist's trade, at which he worked for four years. He was afterward employed by the American District Telegraph Company as a clerk and in that connection worked his way upward to the position of manager. Throughout this period he was also a member of the fire department

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and was advanced to the positions of captain, assistant chief and chief, holding the latter position at the time he resigned in August, 1900. It was then that he spent four and a half years with the American Linseed Company as manager of its insurance department. Subsequently he purchased the Boody House, which he conducted for five years. For years he has been interested in the Toledo Transfer Company, of which he is now the president and general manager, and under his direction the business of this corporation is being wisely and profitably conducted. He is also the secretary-treasurer of the Toledo Baseball Club and is much interested in the national game.

Mr. Wall was married in Toledo to Miss Betsy Osterman of this city and they have become parents of three children, Richard John and Alice Margaret. They lost another son, Christopher Franklin, who died October 4, 1921, at the age of twenty-six years, his death being the occasion of deep regret to many friends as well as to the immediate family.

Mr. Wall has long been a prominent figure in connection with public service and public interests in Toledo and few men in the city have enjoyed a wider acquaintance than Mr. Wall. For some time he was a director of public safety and he remains a close student of all those activities and projects which have to do with the city's welfare and advancement. Fraternally, too, he is widely known, for he is a thirty-second degree Mason and member of the Mystic Shrine, is a past exalted ruler of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and also belongs to the Knights of Pythias, to the Loyal Order of Moose and to the Order of Eagles. He is a faithful follower of the beneficent teachings upon which these orders are based and he is ever loyal to any cause which he espouses. In many ways his life has been one of usefulness and benefit to the community and in business circles his steady progress has brought him to an enviable position where a business of gratifying proportions now returns to him a substantial annual income.

HARRY G. PAMMENT, M. D.

In the field of professional service Dr. Harry G. Pamment has made continuous progress and the consensus of public opinion places him with Toledo's leading physicians. He was born in Rock Island, Illinois, August 13, 1885, of the marriage of George Henry and Sarah (Gill) Pamment, both of whom were natives of England and came to the United States in early life, first locating at Rock Island, where the father followed the stonemason's trade. He is now residing at Waukegan, Illinois. The mother passed away at that place in 1899. They had a family of three children: Charles S., whose home is at Dufur, Oregon; Mrs. Emma Biddle, of Genoa, Ohio; and Harry G.

In 1904 Dr. Pamment completed his course in the Waukegan high school and he then became a student at Denison College at Granville, Ohio, where he remained for three years. Two years later Adrian College at Adrian, Michigan, conferred upon him the B. S. degree and he next entered Rush Medical College at Chicago, Illinois, from which he won his professional degree in 1913. The ensuing year was spent as interne at the Presbyterian Hospital of Chicago and since 1914 he has been a resident of Toledo, building up a large practice in the intervening period of eight years. He thoroughly understands the scientific as well as the practical phases of the profession and through constant reading and close study of the

cases that come under his care is continually broadening his knowledge and promoting his efficiency. His professional ability has led to his selection for public office and for the past five years he has served as city epidemiologist, making a highly commendable record in that connection.

On the 25th of August, 1915, Dr. Pamment was united in marriage to Miss Vera Swift, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Swift, prominent residents of Haynes Hollow, New York. For six months Dr. Pamment was stationed on the Texas border with the United States troops and during the World war he was made a member of the medical examining board for the second district. He was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps and was sent to Camp Greenleaf. His professional connections are with the Toledo & Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is a Royal Arch Mason and also has membership with the Exchange Club. In religious faith he is a Baptist and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He has based his success upon untiring application and persevering effort and deep interest in his profession has led to the acquirement of broad knowledge and marked skill.

PETER JOSEPH KRANZ

The life record of a self-made man is always a source of interest to others. There is something stimulating in the history of one who wrests fortune from the hands of fate and who comes off conqueror in all those struggles and trials which must precede ascendancy. Such has been the career of Peter Joseph Kranz, who in the real estate field has operated largely and successfully, conducting important dealings as the president of the P. J. Kranz Company. He was born in Alsdorf, near Trier, Germany, July 22, 1866, and was the youngest in a family of eleven children, eight sons and three daughters, four of which number died in infancy, while the others reached adult age. Their parents were Peter and Mary (Roles) Kranz, who were also natives of Alsdorf, Germany. The father was a millwright by trade and when he joined the army in accordance with the military regulation of his native country he was assigned to the Royal Guards at Berlin, from the fact that he was six feet, two inches, in height. He passed away in his native country at the age of fifty-six. His wife survived him to the age of seventy-six years.

Peter Joseph Kranz was educated while spending his youthful days under the parental roof, but immediately after putting aside his textbooks he left Germany in order to join his eldest brother, who had become a resident of Toledo in 1880 and who here passed away April 6, 1909. On reaching his destination Peter J. Kranz secured employment with Casey & Streicher, a firm of paving contractors, and six months later he began clerking in a grocery store, after which he was employed in several grocery houses. In 1888 he became bookkeeper for the Mutual Savings Association and during his three or four years' experience in that connection he formed the acquaintance of many men of business and financial standing in the city—an acquaintance that was of value to him when he later entered the real estate field on his own account. Entering into partnership with Henry Heeman under the firm style of Heeman, Kranz & Company, he conducted a real estate, loan and insurance business, whereby he has come into prominence and success, being regarded today as one of the leading realtors in Toledo. Mr. Kranz was also the secretary

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of the Builders Exchange from 1892 until 1905 and when he resigned his position in the latter year he sought larger quarters for his rapidly growing business, a removal being made to the second floor of the Gardner building, where the P. J. Kranz Company still maintains its offices. The business was carried on under the original style of Heeman, Kranz & Company until November 30, 1910, when it was incorporated under the present name, with Mr. Kranz as president, C. J. Spear, vice president, and W. J. Schroeder, secretary, while the sons of Mr. Kranz are directors of the corporation. The business of the company has reached an immense volume in all of its departments, covering insurance, real estate and loans. Constantly the activities of Mr. Kranz have expanded in accordance with the growth and development of the city and on the 30th of August, 1905, he incorporated The Kranz Realty & Investment Company, of which he likewise became the president. From 1913 until 1916 he was the secretary of the United States Malleable Iron Company of Toledo, but sold his holdings in the concern in the latter year. A considerable portion of the real estate activity in Toledo throughout the present century has been promoted through the efforts of P. J. Kranz and no one is more familiar with realty conditions, the market, the valuation and the opportunities for exchange or purchase than he. His close application, his indefatigable energy and his persistency of purpose have been strong features in his growing success. Among his other business interests he is secretary of the Marbleite Manufacturing Company of Toledo.

On the 8th of February, 1890, Mr. Kranz was married to Miss Helena Ramm of Toledo, daughter of Henry Ramm. She was born in Holstein, Germany, and when twelve years of age accompanied her parents to America, the family home being established in Lucas county, Ohio, in 1881. The father devoted his remaining days to farming in Washington township and in that section of the county Mrs. Kranz pursued her education in the public schools. Mr. and Mrs. Kranz are blessed with an interesting family of sons: Leo P. has a daughter, Louise, born September 2, 1921; Albert J.; Karl J. has a son, Donald J., born March 29, 1921; Bernard H.; and Gerold I. All the sons are stockholders, officials, and directors of the P. J. Kranz Company and the Kranz Realty & Investment Company. Albert J. pursued a literary course in the University of Michigan and afterward studied law in Notre Dame University at South Bend, Indiana.

The family adheres to the Catholic faith, attending St. Peter and St. Paul's church, to the work of which Mr. Kranz is a generous supporter. He also has membership in the Knights of Columbus and belongs as well to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, being one of the earliest members of that organization; the Toledo Automobile Club; and the Slagle Resort Club, of which he is secretary and treasurer. He has always been keenly interested in the city's welfare and progress and his devotion to the general good has been manifest in many tangible ways. He was appointed by Mayor Milroy a member of his cabinet in December, 1915, being made director of finance and in that office served until April 1, 1916, when private affairs obliged him to resign. He has always been a stanch advocate of democratic principles and untiring in his efforts to secure their adoption. He is a member of the Toledo Real Estate Board, the Ohio Real Estate Board and the National Real Estate Board and is a well-known figure in real estate circles throughout the country. He is also a member of the Toledo Art Museum, the Historical Society of Northwestern Ohio, and the Ohio State Board of Commerce. His methods have been actuated by a most progressive spirit and he has never feared to venture where favoring opportunity has pointed the way. While he has risen to prominence and

attained most gratifying success he has never allowed the pursuit of wealth to become the whole end and aim of his life. On the contrary, he has recognized all of the duties and obligations that fall to the lot of every individual and has capably met every responsibility of citizenship, of friendship and of home ties. Mr. Kranz is not without his hobbies, and his love of art best finds expression in his magnificent collection of United States and foreign stamps, comprising over fifty-five thousand specimens, and representing more than forty-five years of activity as a collector. His collection is one of the most valuable and complete possessed by any individual in the middle west and one of the very few private collections containing a complete set of United States Government postage and revenue stamps, envelopes and post cards. His collection of private proprietary stamps is also complete with the exception of a few practically unobtainable specimens. Since 1888, he has been a member of the American Philatelic Society and is numbered among the prominent philatelists of the country.

Mr. Kranz is extremely fond of open-air life, being an enthusiastic hunter and angler, and probably his greatest recreational pleasure is trout fishing. In later years he has traveled extensively abroad and by reason of his wide experiences has become a man of liberal culture, well prepared for anything that life may bring. The high ideals which he cherishes have ever found embodiment in practical efforts for their adoption and because of the innate refinement of his nature he has rejected everything opposed to good taste. Mr. Kranz's residence is at No. 635 Lincoln avenue.

THE HOME SAVINGS BANK

The Home Savings Bank Company was organized in 1892. The dominating spirit of the enterprise was Mr. Dean V. R. Manley, who had for a number of years been filling most acceptably a position as teller in the Second National Bank. Mr. Manley attracted about him in the organization of the bank some of the best known citizens of the city, the original board of directors being: Messrs. Alvin M. Woolson, John S. Kinnan, Carl F. Braun, Barton Smith, Herbert Baker, Samuel R. Dority, Adelbert L. Spitzer, William J. Colburn, Edward D. Libbey, Arthur J. Secor, Jethro G. Mitchell, W. A. Brigham, Alexander Black, Edwin Jackson and A. Bentley.

The first officers chosen by the board were: Mr. A. M. Woolson, president; Mr. C. F. Braun, vice president; and Mr. Dean V. R. Manley, cashier. Arrangements were made to occupy quarters in the Gardner building, then under construction, which quarters the bank has continuously occupied up to this time. Active business was not started until late in 1893, and in the interim Mr. Woolson had resigned as president, and was succeeded by Mr. Herbert Baker, who served the bank and this community well and faithfully throughout the remaining years of his life. Mr. Baker's sterling worth gave an impress to the character of the bank which accounts very largely for its high standing in the community.

While the charter title of the bank indicates that it specializes as a savings bank, it has from its very inception been successful in handling commercial accounts, and has assisted very substantially in the development of trade and manufactures in the city.

In all successive annual electings, men have been chosen as directors who

were of very conservative dispositions. At the present time the board of directors consists of the following: Milledge O. Baker, Rufus H. Baker, Badger C. Bowen, Walter M. Braun, William A. Brigham, Herbert J. Heywood, John W. Koehrman, Marion M. Miller, Raleigh D. Mills, Charles H. Parsons and Frank D. Stranahan.

The officers are: Marion M. Miller, president; W. A. Brigham, first vice president; Rufus H. Baker, second vice president; Raleigh D. Mills, cashier, and Karl E. Naugle, assistant cashier.

THOMAS F. HEATLEY, M. D.

Thorough preparatory training has well qualified Dr. Thomas F. Heatley for his chosen life work and the profession as well as the public accords him rank with the leading surgeons of Toledo. He was born at Chelsea, Michigan, March 27, 1884, a son of Henry V. and Maria (Farrell) Heatley, the former a native of England and the latter of Sandusky, Ohio. As a young man the father came to the United States, first locating at Sandusky, Ohio, and later removing to Michigan, where he acquired a farm, on which he continued to live until his demise, at the age of fifty-eight years. After his death the mother became a resident of Detroit and still makes her home in that city, having reached the age of sixty-nine years. In their family were thirteen children, nine of whom survive, namely: William, Eugene, Mary, Alfred, Thomas F., Leo, Mrs. Esther Powell, Ethelbert and Robert.

The country schools of Michigan afforded Thomas F. Heatley his early educational opportunities and he later completed a course at Clary's Business College in Ypsilanti, that state. He next became a student at the Ferris Institute of Big Rapids, Michigan, from which he was graduated in 1907. He then entered the University of Michigan, from which he received the M. D. degree in 1911, and was president of his class. He afterward spent a year in postgraduate work at that institution, specializing in surgery, to which he has since devoted his attention. Going to Rochester, New York, he became interne at the Infants' Summer Hospital and for six months was connected with St. Mary's Hospital of that city, after which he came to Toledo, serving for a year as house physician at St. Vincent's Hospital. He then became surgeon for the New York Central Railroad Company, acting in that capacity for five and a half years. He is resident surgeon for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company and a member of the surgical staff of Mercy Hospital, in addition to which he has a large private practice. He has developed a high degree of skill in the treatment of surgical cases and is a thorough and conscientious student of his profession.

On the 2d of October, 1915, Dr. Heatley was married to Miss Frances Eleanor Savage, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Savage of Ashtabula, Ohio, and they have one child, Jane, who was born in 1919. Dr. Heatley is a Roman Catholic in religious faith and in the Knights of Columbus he has taken the fourth degree. He is also a member of the Sylvania Golf Club and his political allegiance is given to the democratic party. His professional connections are with the Toledo & Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association and during the World war he was a member of the board of medical examiners for this district. He is a self-educated, self-made man

whose professional training was gained through great effort and tenacity of purpose, and the strength of character which he thus early displayed has been manifest throughout his career. His example is one well worthy of emulation, showing what may be accomplished when one has the will to dare and to do, and prompted by a laudable ambition Dr. Heatley has established his position among Toledo's foremost representatives of medical and surgical science.

CHARLES E. DOAN

Charles E. Doan has spent his life in Toledo, where he is widely and favorably known, and he has been an important factor in the promotion of the automobile trade in this city, having concentrated his attention upon that line of activity for the past eighteen years. He is now serving as president and general manager of The Doan Motor Company, distributors for the Studebaker cars, and is one of the most enterprising and successful dealers in the city. He is one of Toledo's native sons and was born November 24, 1881, his parents being Thomas Clarke and Elizabeth (Bellamy) Doan. The father was a native of Cleveland, and the mother was a native of this city. For many years the father was a member of the J. B. Shepler Company and he was numbered among the best known and most highly respected residents of Toledo. Both Mr. and Mrs. Doan are deceased. In their family were two children, one of whom died in infancy.

Charles E. Doan, the only surviving member of the family, attended the public schools of Toledo and at an early age he started out in the business world, securing a position with the Western Chandelier Company. He was afterward in the service of the Northwestern Gas Company and in 1904 became identified with the automobile industry. At this time the automobile was gradually coming into use for commercial purposes and Mr. Doan obtained employment in the mechanical department of the plant operated by the Pope Automobile Company, For four years he was thus occupied, endeavoring to gain as thorough a knowledge as possible of the mechanism of motor vehicles during that period, and he then became a salesman for the Atwood Automobile Company, distributors for the Overland car when it was manufactured in Indianapolis. He next accepted a similar position with the Norris Toledo Automobile Company and afterward joined the Blevins Auto Sales Company, Studebaker distributors, in the capacity of salesman, continuing to act as such from 1910 until 1918. He then took over the interests of the Blevins Company and reorganized the business, which is now conducted under the style of The Doan Motor Company, agents for the Studebaker cars in this section. Broad experience has given him an expert knowledge of the business in which he is engaged and he keeps well informed as to the latest developments in the automobile industry. Owing to his progressive methods and untiring industry there has developed a large volume of business, about thirty people being employed in his establishment, and he distributes the Studebaker throughout northwest Ohio, through about thirty dealers.

In Detroit, Michigan, on the 9th of September, 1911, Mr. Doan married Miss Emma Schurtz, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schurtz of Toledo, and they have a daughter, Lois Ruth, whose birth occurred in 1915. Mr. Doan is a director of the Automotive Trades Association of Toledo, also first vice president of The Ohio Automotive Trades Association and vice president for Ohio of The National

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Auto Dealers Association. He is also connected with the Maumee River Yacht Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, The Toledo Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and the Exchange Club, and of the last named organization he served as president in 1922. Fraternally he belongs to the Knights of Pythias and The Maccabees, a thirty-second degree Mason, belonging to both the York and Scottish Rites, and he is a Noble of Zenobia Shrine. At the age of sixteen he served as a member of the Sixteenth Ohio National Guards and served as private and corporal in the same company with the Sixth Ohio Volunteer Infantry throughout the Spanish-American war, both in this country and in Cuba. Upon the reorganization of The Ohio National Guard he reenlisted in Company C of the Sixth Ohio National Guard as sergeant, which company had the distinction of being selected as representative from Toledo in a regiment representing Ohio at The St. Louis Exposition in 1904. Later he served as second and first lieutenant of the same company. Dependent upon his own resources from an early age, he has worked his way steadily upward, achieving that success which is the merited reward of industry, capability and integrity, and Toledo numbers him among her self-made men and valued citizens. His residence is at No. 2734 Scottwood avenue.

CARL RUEDY

In the vocabulary of the man of courage, determination and ambition there is no such word as fail. This statement is verified in the career of Carl Ruedy, whose progressive spirit led him to venture far in search of opportunities for advancement, and through their wise utilization he has worked his way steadily upward until he now ranks with Toledo's successful business men and public-spirited citizens. A native of Switzerland, he was born April 21, 1883, and his parents, John and Vrene (Schnetzler) Ruedy, spent their lives in that picturesque country, the father devoting his attention to the meat business. They had a family of ten children, three of whom survive: Albert and Carl, both residents of this city; and Herman, who still lives in the Land of the Alps.

Carl Ruedy attended the public schools of Switzerland until he was ten years of age and then entered his father's meat-packing establishment, in which he spent eight years, during which period he gained a thorough knowledge of the business. In 1901, when a youth of eighteen, he left his native land to seek his fortune in a strange country and after reaching New York city he made his way to Toledo, where he entered the meat business, in partnership with his brother Albert. They were associated in business until 1920, building up a large trade and winning marked success in their operations along that line. Meanwhile Carl Ruedy had invested his earnings in land, which he improved and sold to good advantage, and in order that he might devote his entire attention to real estate he disposed of his interest in the meat business. He is well informed concerning property values and has negotiated many important realty transfers, displaying marked foresight, enterprise and ability in the conduct of his interests. He has established his position among Toledo's leading real estate dealers and through his activities in his field he has contributed to the material upbuilding of the city, as well as to the promotion of his own prosperity.

Mr. Ruedy was married October 18, 1907, to Miss Minnie Meister, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Meister of Toledo, and they have three children: Ella,

who was born in 1910 and is attending the public schools; Lillian, born in 1919; and Minnie, born in 1922. Mr. Ruedy is a manager of the Lutheran church and guides his life by its teachings. His record should serve as a source of encouragement to others, proving that success and an honored name are within the possibility of attainment by all and that every obstacle can be overcome by earnest effort, intelligently directed. He has thoroughly identified his interests with those of his adopted country and Toledo counts him as a valued addition to its citizenship.

LESTER V. McKESSON

Lester V. McKesson, whose name has long been prominently known in real estate circles, was connected with this line of business for a quarter of a century, or until death ended his labors on April 20, 1923. Mr. McKesson came from one of the old families of northern Ohio, and was born July 20, 1842, at Enterprise, Erie county, a son of Isaac and Zorada Jane (Hunt) McKesson.

Lester V. McKesson spent his youthful days on the old homestead, with the usual experiences of the farm bred boy, and after acquiring his early education in the public schools, he continued his studies in Baldwin University, at Berea, Ohio. He was a youth of but eighteen years of age when he responded to the country's call for troops to aid in the preservation of the Union, enlisting on the 21st of April, 1861, only a few days after Fort Sumter had been fired upon. He donned the nation's blue uniform and as a private joined the boys of Company E, Eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, rising to the rank of lieutenant, and is numbered with that great army of Boys in Blue whose military record is a credit and honor to the state of Ohio, whence they went to the front. He prized highly the "Token of Honor he received from the citizens of Sandusky, Ohio, for three years' distinguished service in the United States army, from 1861 to 1864—Winchester, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Wilderness, Spotsylvania, Cold Harbor, Petersburg and sixty-five other engagements."

Soon after the war Mr. McKesson established a sawmill and bending works at Collins, Ohio, where he continued in business until about 1890, when he disposed of his interests there and removed to Clarksville, Tennessee, where he conducted a similar business, as the Union Bending Works and Sawmill, also manufacturing spoke shapes and felloes.

In the spring of 1898 he removed to Toledo, where he resided until his death. Here he entered the real estate business and was successful. As the years passed his investments were well made until his holdings became extensive and valuable, the management of which he looked after personally. In 1921 he expended seventy-five thousand dollars in remodeling the McKesson building, at 229-231 Erie street, an improvement which has added greatly to the value of property on that thoroughfare south of Madison avenue.

Mr. McKesson was first married on April 10, 1866, in Sandusky, Ohio, to Miss Harriet A. Fisher, a native of that city, and to them were born two daughters and a son: Jennie E., a graduate of Baldwin University, Berea, Ohio, was principal of the Wayne public school for eight years, and later served several years in a similar capacity at Central school on Madison street; Carrie E. married Dr. John W. Brandau, a prominent physician of Clarksville, Tennessee, in which city her death occurred; the son, George Lester, is a well known business man

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of Toledo and is mentioned elsewhere in this work. Having lost his first wife, Mr. McKesson later married Mrs. Mary W. Lockwood of Milan, Ohio. Following her death he married Agnes C. Wilcox of Detroit.

Mr. McKesson was a member of the Exchange Club, the Commercial Club and also of the Gideons. He was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal church and for years took a great interest in its work, while as a director of the Young Men's Christian Association he manifested a keen interest in its welfare and progress and for a good many years was its treasurer. His was a long, active and useful life, in which he not only contributed to the growth of the community in which he resided, but in many ways furthered the moral development of the city. In all of his undertakings he was actuated by a progressive spirit, and his diligence and determination were strong influencing factors in the attainment of his success.

Although in his eighty-first year, when he passed away, Mr. McKesson was a remarkably well preserved man; keen, active and as alert as most men ten years his junior. In this respect he inherited longevity, as his father lived to the advanced age of ninety-two.

WILLIAM BAKER

Honored and respected by all, there is no man who has occupied a more enviable position in the regard of his fellow townsmen than did William Baker, a lawyer of marked ability and a citizen above reproach. He was richly endowed with those qualities which men honor and which they should emulate. While gifted by nature with strong mentality, he used his talents wisely and well and in the upbuilding of his own fortunes through the practice of law he never forgot his duties and obligations as a man and citizen, fully meeting these in every particular and thus contributing in large measure to the civic progress and public benefit of Toledo, where he long made his home.

Ohio was proud to number William Baker among her native sons. His birth occurred in Norwalk, Huron county, February 5, 1822, and he represented an old New England family that sent their descendants into Ohio to aid in the development and upbuilding of the Western Reserve as the family had previously done in the settlement of New England, thus planting the seeds of civilization in the soil of the new world. In his youthful days William Baker eagerly availed himself of every educational opportunity offered and when he had mastered the elementary branches of learning he continued his studies in Granville College, from which he was graduated when nineteen years of age. Prompted by a most laudable ambition he then perfected his plans whereby he became a student in the law school of Harvard University and was graduated therefrom with the class of 1844, winning the degree of Bachelor of Arts. With his return to Ohio he was admitted to practice in the courts of the state and in November of that year he took up his permanent abode in Toledo, which at the time was little more than a village. Here for a half century he continued to reside, loyal to public interests and welfare at all times, while as a representative of the bar he was prominently connected with the work of the courts and contributed in notable measure to the upholding of the legal status of the community. He had not long been identified with the Lucas county bar before his clientage took on substantial proportions and he demonstrated his ability to

cope with the intricate and involved problems of the law. He tried many kinds of cases, trying them well, and he always presented the strongest reasons for his contentions, so that he won many verdicts favorable to his clients. He was also active in everything that pertained to the intellectual, civic, moral and material progress and well-being of Toledo and he at all times gave most unfaltering loyalty to his city and was ever keenly appreciative of the opportunities here offered. In 1847 he formed a partnership with the late Judge Myron H. Tilden, an association that was maintained until 1850, after which Mr. Baker practiced independently until 1857, when he was joined by Judge William A. Collins in a partnership that existed until 1870. In 1881 he became senior partner in a law firm in which he was associated with his son, Rufus H. Baker, and with Barton Smith. A contemporary writer has said of him: "Mr. Baker had a comprehensive and accurate knowledge of the science of jurisprudence and was never lacking in facility in applying this knowledge to his effective work, both as a resourceful trial lawyer and as a counselor of mature judgment and much conservatism, the while he was tireless in his efforts to protect and forward the interests of his clients, though invariably refusing to identify himself with causes, the justice of which he knew to be of negative quality. In a word, he was at all times and under all conditions a man of the strictest integrity and one who never sacrificed the dictates of conscience for any matter of personal expediency. Thus it was but natural that he should achieve success in his profession, and the concomitant respect and confidence of his fellowmen. Early in his career at the bar he won secure vantage ground and from that time forward until his death his prestige and success were marked by cumulative tendencies. That a man with so broad a mental ken, so sure a judgment and so marked practical circumspection should become influential in connection with the march of civic and material advancement was virtually a matter of logical sequence. With such men as Morrison R. Waite, Samuel M. Young, Peter F. Berdan, Joseph K. Secor, Horace S. Walbridge, Abner L. Backus and others he was a prominent factor in building up the institutions upon which now rest Toledo's prosperity and precedence." Beyond the field of his profession Mr. Baker directed his labors with sound judgment, becoming an active factor in the construction of the Toledo, Norwalk & Cleveland Railroad, now constituting the Norwalk division of the New York Central lines, and he was thus also identified with the Wabash Railroad. He took active part in developing the enterprise leading to the building of the Boody House, which was long the leading hotel of Toledo and he was a potent factor in the establishment of the Wabash grain elevators and in the promotion of the Milburn Wagon Company and a number of other important concerns that have featured largely in the connection with the material growth and progress of the city.

On the 28th of August, 1849, Mr. Baker was united in marriage to Miss Frances C. Latimer, who died February 23, 1911. They were parents of three sons and a daughter: Herbert, who was president of the Home Savings Bank of Toledo, died March 11, 1920; Arthur E., who is a well known business man of this city; Rufus H., who was his father's law partner and is still engaged in the practice of his profession; and Katharine, the widow of John J. Manning.

Mr. Baker was long a consistent member of the First Baptist church of Toledo, as was his wife. They manifested the keenest interest in its work and in its welfare and made generous contributions to its support. For many years Mr. Baker served as superintendent of the Sunday school and took helpful interest in other branches of the church work. In this connection a contemporary writer said of him: "His religion was not confined to the matter of creed or individual belief, but he conscien-

tiously endeavored to make his abiding faith evident through good works and kindly deeds. Thus he was earnest in the support of charitable and benevolent objects and many men who afterward became prosperous and influential in connection with the business life of Toledo owe their initial steps toward success to his timely advice and assistance. It not infrequently falls to the lot of those who thus strive to aid others to become victims of misplaced confidence and Mr. Baker was not permitted to offer his claims to being an exception to this rule. He at times suffered heavy financial losses through the unworthiness of those to whom he extended a helping hand, but this condition never rendered him uncharitable or served to destroy his confidence in humanity. Of him it has been said that no man 'in whose integrity and ability he believed ever asked his help in vain.' During the Civil war he was a member of the sanitary commission and rendered efficient service in that connection, as he also did as president of the Toledo branch of the United States Christian commission."

Firm, indeed, was the hold which William Baker had upon the affectionate regard and high esteem of his fellow townsmen and the news of his demise, which occurred November 17, 1894, received editorial mention in the leading newspapers of Toledo, one of which said: "It is a distinct loss to a city when such a man as William Baker passes away. Broad-minded and thoughtful, with a sincere belief in his fellowmen and an earnest desire to do what lay in his power for their prosperity and progress, Mr. Baker was one of the human factors, and a large one, in the arduous work of laying the foundations upon which the superstructure of Toledo's growth and prosperity has been erected. Quiet and unassuming in his manner, he was not one to pose constantly before the public, but there was no project for the advancement of the real prosperity of Toledo as a commercial and manufacturing center which did not find in him an earnest advocate and sagacious supporter. Though not a demonstrative man, the energy and thoroughness characteristic of his New England ancestry made his support count for much. Nor was he less a factor of usefulness and progress in the upbuilding of the social fabric of the city. His fifty years' residence in Toledo was one of continuous helpfulness to the development of her moral, religious and educational progress. A consistent and active Christian, he was a tower of strength to the church of which he was a member, and his influence extended far beyond the limits of his immediate field. He has gone to his rest, full of years, fruitful in good works and leaving to his fellow citizens an example that all may emulate with honor to themselves and credit to Toledo."

HERBERT BAKER

Herbert Baker was born in Toledo, September 26, 1854. He was the son of William and Frances C. Baker. He attended the public schools of the city, graduated with the high school class of 1872, and spent a portion of a year at Williston Seminary, East Hampton, Massachusetts, but was obliged to leave the seminary on account of ill health. In his youth, by an unfortunate accident he lost a leg, the evil effects of which carried along all through his life, and to that is attributed much that developed in his character. Because of it he was denied many of the pleasures of young manhood, and came to be of a retiring disposition, patient in suffering, and greatly considerate of others.

Mr. Baker read law in the office of his father for a short time, but finding it uncongenial, he embarked in business, first as a general contractor, fulfilling several contracts with the city of Toledo for grading streets and the like. Quitting that, he took a small share in a foundry business, and later acquired the interests of his partners. He met with a measure of success in this business, and after a few years added to the foundry a machine shop for the manufacture of toolmaking machines. In 1881 he admitted his brother, Arthur E. Baker, into partnership with him, when the firm became that of Baker Brothers, with which he was active until his death. He was one of the original founders of the Home Savings Bank of Toledo, and he was elected its president in 1893, before the Bank began active operations, holding the position during the rest of his life.

Mr. Baker was a man of extraordinarily high ideals, a consistent member of the First Baptist church, and in his modest, quiet way gave very liberally to the church and to the various charitable societies of the city. It may be said of him truthfully that he possessed an unusual quality of uprightness. Many men attain uprightness after much of a conflict with temptation, but Mr. Baker was innately good. His great conscience would scarcely admit evil into his mind, and he was universally recognized as one of Toledo's best and most helpful citizens. He died March 11, 1920.

LAWRENCE GRAEME BELL

Lawrence Graeme Bell, a native son of Toledo whose record reflects credit and honor upon the city, belongs to that class of representative Americans who while promoting individual interests also contribute in large measure to public progress, and through his real estate operations he is doing much to improve the city and promote its growth. He was born August 11, 1886, of the marriage of John Bancroft and Ada (Marshall) Bell, the former a native of Sylvania, Ohio, and the latter of Massachusetts. They afterward removed to Chicago, where they resided until the disastrous fire which swept through that city in 1871, and then came to Toledo. The father first engaged in the manufacture of soap, later turning his attention to the dry goods business, but shortly afterward disposed of his interests and lived retired until his death. The mother survives and is still a resident of Toledo. Of their children two are living: Bruce B. and Lawrence G., both residents of Toledo.

In the acquirement of an education Lawrence Graeme Bell attended the grammar and high schools of his native city, the Kiskiminetas Springs School at Saltsburg, Pennsylvania, and afterward was a student at Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio. His initial business experience was obtained as an employe of the Paragon Refining Company, with which he remained for five years, and he then secured a position with the United States Rubber Company. At the end of a year he severed his relations with that firm and became a salesman for the Reuben Realty Company of Toledo, with which he was connected for five years, acquiring a comprehensive knowledge of the business. He then decided to embark in the business on his own account and in association with Carl C. Teipel organized The Bell-Teipel Realty Company, which also handles fire insurance and loans. Mr. Bell is filling the office of president, while Mr. Teipel acts as secretary and treasurer, and since its inception the enterprise has enjoyed a steady growth, a large business having been developed in each

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department. Mr. Bell is also president of the Circle Investment Company of Toledo and is a sagacious, farsighted business man, whose interests are most capably managed.

On the 28th of December, 1917, Mr. Bell married Miss Martha J. Arnold, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Arnold, prominent residents of this city, and they have two children: Lawrence G., Jr., whose birth occurred February 12, 1919; and Alexander Arnold, who was born January 28, 1922. Mr. Bell is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association and Delta Kappa Epsilon, a college fraternity. He is also identified with the Toledo Club and the Chamber of Commerce. His political allegiance is given to the platform and candidates of the republican party. He has ever recognized the fact that each day and hour has its opportunity and that effort intelligently put forth must ultimately win its reward and in the fulness of time he has reaped the reward of sound judgment, indefatigable industry and judicious investments. He is a most loyal supporter of his city because of his belief in its opportunities and his enthusiasm finds expression in effective work for its improvement and development. He resides at No. 715 W. Delaware avenue.

IRVING NATHANIEL HAUGHTON

The growth of a city does not depend so much upon its machinery of government, or even upon the men who hold public offices, as upon those who foster trade relations and promote commercial activity. In this connection, therefore, Irving Nathaniel Haughton is deserving of more than passing notice, for he is at the head of the Haughton Elevator & Machine Company, the largest elevator manufacturing plant in the middle west, and represents a family which for many years has been closely and prominently connected with the industrial development of the city. He is one of Toledo's native sons, his birth having occurred in this city on the 23d of April, 1879, and his parents, Colonel Nathaniel and Frances C. (Bush) Haughton, were both born in this section of the state. Nathaniel Haughton responded to his country's call during the Civil war, serving as colonel of the Twenty-fifth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and was retired with the rank of brevet brigadier general. Returning from the Civil war, he established a foundry and machine business in Toledo. About 1888 his son, Harry B., entered the business and at that time was begun the manufacture of elevators, from which has developed the extensive business of the Haughton Elevator & Machine Company. Nathaniel Haughton remained at the head of the undertaking for many years, ranking with the foremost business men of the city, and he was also actively interested in numerous public and philanthropic enterprises. He was widely known and highly respected in Toledo, to whose upbuilding and prosperity he contributed in substantial measure, and his demise occurred in this city in 1899. Mrs. Haughton survives her husband and is still a resident of Toledo. They were the parents of five children: Harry B. and Frank, both of whom are deceased; Ned A.; Edith E., who is in charge of employment for the International Y. M. C. A., in New York city; and Irving N.

The public schools of Toledo afforded Irving N. Haughton his educational advantages and his initial business experience was obtained as a clerk in the offices of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad Company. He later became a salesman for the Haughton Elevator Company, which had been founded by his

father, and for sixteen years served in that capacity. Following the demise of his brother, which occurred in 1915, he assumed charge of the enterprise and is now serving as president and general manager. While it is true that Mr. Haughton entered upon a business already established, he has greatly enlarged the scope of the undertaking, displaying marked executive force and administrative ability in its control and maintaining the same high standards which have ever characterized the output of the firm. He has secured a high degree of efficiency in the operation of the business and is just and considerate in his treatment of those in his service, now having between four and five hundred employes.

On the 19th of July, 1909, Mr. Haughton was united in marriage to Miss Frances Gates, a stepdaughter of the late Dr. Collamore, a prominent physician of this city. Mr. Haughton is a thirty-second degree Mason and is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine and his political tenets are those of the republican party. His standing as a business man is indicated by the fact that he has been chosen president of the Merchants & Manufacturers Association of Toledo and a trustee of the Chamber of Commerce and is also a member of the Rotary, Toledo and Inverness clubs of this city as well as the Cleveland Athletic Club of Cleveland, Ohio, the Milwaukee Athletic Club of Milwaukee and the Uptown Club of New York city. He is recognized as an astute, farsighted business man of forceful personality, who occupies a position of leadership in the field in which he is specializing, and he worthily bears a name which for many years has stood as a synonym for progressiveness, reliability and integrity in industrial circles of Toledo.

ADOLPH SCHLETT

Coming to Toledo in 1904, Adolph Schlett has since been identified with the business interests of the city and is now the president of the Acme Specialty Manufacturing Company. His life record illustrates what can be accomplished in this land where effort and opportunity are unhampered by caste or class. He was born in Tubingen, Wurttemberg, Germany, on the 20th of May, 1875, and is a son of Emanuel and Wilhelmine (Faiss) Schlett. The father was a wholesale grocer. The son, educated in Germany, spent the first seventeen years of his life in his native land and then crossed the Atlantic to the new world. He early learned the business of surveying and the use of all instruments of that character and when he came to the United States he turned his attention to farming. Later, however, he learned the trade of tool and die making and worked in various places, gaining broad and intimate knowledge of the business. Eventually he reached the responsible position of superintendent of the Stove & Range Manufacturing Company at Wheeling, West Virginia, and from that city came to Toledo in 1904. Here he purchased a machine shop of tool and die works, the plant being a very small one, and at the beginning he employed only three men. The business has steadily grown and developed until now, under the name of the Acme Specialty Manufacturing Company, two excellent buildings are utilized, one having dimensions of a hundred by one hundred and ten feet, while the new building, three stories in height, is one hundred by one hundred and fifty feet. Employment is given to ninety workmen in the shop and the company is represented on the road by six traveling salesmen. The concern makes a specialty

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of shaving sets, traveling, toilet, stand and shaving mirrors, manicuring sets and dressing cases, bath room mirrors and accessories, and sells to all the large department stores in the United States. In the beginning, on the incorporation of the company, the business was capitalized for twenty-five thousand dollars but this has since been increased until the capitalization is now two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Mr. Schlett is president of the company and his determined spirit and unabating energy have brought him to a place among the prominent representatives of manufacturing in Toledo.

On the 26th of April, 1902, Mr. Schlett was united in marriage to Miss Albertine Alline Burbott of Appleton, Wisconsin. He is very fond of athletic sports and golf and turns to these for recreation from the onerous cares of a steadily growing business. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and member of the Mystic Shrine, loyally following the teachings and purposes of the craft and he is also well known in club circles, having membership in the Toledo Club, the Rotary Club, the Toledo Yacht Club and the Sylvania Yacht Club. The last two indicate his interest in marine sports and at all times and in every relation of life he manifests a social nature and deference for the opinions of others that has made him very popular. Throughout his life he has been a constant student in the school of experience, displaying at all times discriminating judgment in his choice of business opportunities and in the development of the interests which have been under his control. Steadily he has increased his knowledge and his power and today his position as a leading manufacturer of Toledo is a gratifying one, while his life record illustrates what can be accomplished through persistent and earnest effort and is also proof of the fact that success and an honored name may be won simultaneously. Mr. Schlett's residence is at No. 2705 Collingwood avenue.

W. A. TAYLOR, M. D.

Dr. W. A. Taylor, one of the younger members of Toledo's medical fraternity, is devoting his attention to surgical work, and recognition of his well developed powers on the part of the general public has gained for him a large practice. He was born at Williamsport, Pennsylvania, March 9, 1890, and is the only child of Walter and Carrie (Phillips) Taylor, also natives of the Keystone state. They continued residents of Pennsylvania until 1904, when they came to Toledo, where they have since made their home, and for many years the father was connected with the Buckeye Furniture Company.

W. A. Taylor attended the public schools of Syracuse, New York, and following his graduation from the Central high school of that city he entered the College of Physicians & Surgeons at Chicago, Illinois, which conferred upon him the M. D. degree in 1914. After serving an interneship at St. Vincent's Hospital of Toledo, Ohio, he became connected with Mercy Hospital at Davenport, Iowa, and in January, 1916, he established an office in this city. He is a skillful surgeon and does everything to perfect himself in his chosen vocation. He is a close and discriminating student of his profession and his ambition keeps him abreast with the trend of the times in the field of modern medical and surgical practice. He is visiting physician at Robinwood, Mercy and Toledo hospitals and also has business interests, being a director of the Auburndale, Ohio, Savings Association.

Dr. Taylor is a member of the Ashland Avenue Baptist church and he is prominent in Masonry, being a member of the commandery, while in the consistory he has taken the thirty-second degree. The nature of his recreation is indicated by his connection with the Toledo Yacht Club. His professional relations are with the Toledo & Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. Thoroughness characterizes all of his efforts and natural talent, acquired ability, determination and energy have enabled him to make continuous progress in his profession.

WILLIAM HAGENBERG SCHAEFER

Though closely identified with the commercial interests of Toledo for many years, William Hagenberg Schaefer has by no means confined his attention to the management of his private business affairs, important, extensive and successful as they are. On the contrary he has extended his efforts into various other fields and has been particularly active in connection with those forces which make for the economic, sociological and civic development of a community. Moreover, he is a man of action rather than theory and his ideas have at all times taken practical and tangible form, proving highly resultant.

William Hagenberg Schaefer is a native son of Toledo, born September 2, 1860, his parents being William and Margaret (Hassenzah) Schaefer, both of whom were natives of Germany. In his boyhood days the son was employed in a dry goods store and also worked as a Western Union messenger. He afterward became a traveling salesman for a wholesale crockery house, with which he was associated for twelve years and during that period gained intimate and accurate knowledge of every phase of the business. Later he became associated with his brother Henry under the style of H. Schaefer & Company, dealers in crockery at Toledo, and in 1901 William H. Schaefer became actively identified with the brokerage business, handling crockery and glassware under the style of the Schaefer Brokerage Company. In this business he is still engaged, although he has discontinued the crockery line, and today his patronage is extensive, the business being one of the important interests of the kind in the city. Mr. Schaefer has been connected for some years with the United States Rubber Company, representing the mechanical goods division of that company and being now distributor of fruit jar rubbers throughout twenty-six states in the east and south.

On the 10th of January, 1883, Mr. Schaefer was united in marriage to Miss Luella Logan Swain of Toledo and they have become parents of three sons: Otto H., Charles H. and Clarence A. Mr. and Mrs. Schaefer are members of the Episcopal church and takes an active interest in all those forces which make for public progress and improvement along the lines of benefit, reform and development. Mr. Schaefer belongs to the Toledo Council of the United Commercial Travelers and the Toledo Traveling Men's Association, of which he formerly served as president, while for many years he was one of the directors. It was during his term in the presidency that the relief fund was established and of this he was the treasurer. On the 1st of April, 1914, the Toledo Traveling Men's Association was transferred to the Toledo Travelers Life Insurance Company, of which Mr. Schaefer was elected president and has since filled that position. He is also zealously interested in the Newsboys' Association and in 1905

organized the campaign for funds for a building for this society, being very successful in putting over the work. He was secretary of the organization continuously until 1910. Fraternally he is a Mason, connected with the lodge, chapter, commandery and Mystic Shrine, and president of the 1918 January class, A. A. S. R. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and has been a member of the Rotary Club almost from its organization, having taken a keen interest in its work. He has long been a close student of those great political, economic and sociological problems which so deeply affect the public welfare and along these lines keeps abreast with the best thinking men of the age. He is an enthusiastic supporter of Toledo, working earnestly and consistently for its upbuilding and benefit, and his name is high on the roll of those who are regarded as prominent and representative residents of the city. His residence is at No. 535 Acklin avenue.

ROBERT LAW

Robert Law, who passed away in December, 1912, at the venerable age of eighty-nine years, was born on Goat Island, just above Niagara Falls, February 19, 1823, and was one of a family of nine children, eight sons and a daughter, but was the only one born on American soil. His parents were James and Mary (Shackleton) Law, who were natives of Manchester, England, and who in the year 1820 came to the new world, settling at Niagara Falls. There the father conducted a woolen mill on Goat Island, which he operated for a time, but later he owned, cleared and developed a farm in the vicinity of Toronto.

During his youthful days Robert Law enjoyed such educational opportunities as the time and neighborhood afforded, but his chances in that direction were somewhat limited, much to his regret. When he was nineteen years of age he recrossed the border between Canada and the United States and became a student in the academy at Olcott, New York, where he pursued a four years' course. When he had finished school he went to Lockport, New York, where he established business on his own account, taking up the manufacture of various kinds of woodenware, including pails, handles for different purposes, shingles and various other wooden articles and devices. Mr. Law possessed the constructive mind of the inventor and at this period of his life he invented a shingle and heading machine which for efficiency and simplicity has never been improved upon and is in almost universal use today. Mr. Law removed from Lockport to Buffalo and in 1860 he took up his abode on a farm at Clarence, New York, but after four years devoted to agricultural pursuits he returned to Buffalo in 1864, there making his home until 1870, when he came to Toledo, where he erected a shingle mill at the foot of Mulberry street, on Water street, on the site where the Pennsylvania station now stands. There he remained in active business until the property was condemned by the railroad to be used as the site for the new station. Later Mr. Law became engaged in the coal and wood trade on St. Clair street, between Adams and Madison, and his close application and enterprise brought results in the upbuilding of his business.

At the same time Mr. Law found opportunity to exercise his inventive talent and he had no fewer than ten practical inventions to his credit. The now indispensable bath seat was one of these and another was a tie plate which is in use on

the railroads of the country. He had also submitted a suggestion for draining roadways. Instead of the highly rounded, and in inclement weather often dangerous, center of the dirt road he suggested a flat road to be supplied with drainage done by tile—after the manner of draining swamps and lowlands. This was a very practical suggestion and it would not be surprising to see some city taking advantage of the plan which he offered.

On the 8th of January, 1850, Mr. Law was united in marriage to Miss Elvira Britt at Medina, New York, she being a daughter of Nathan and Lucy (Darbee) Britt. Mrs. Law had the distinction of having seven ancestors among the passengers on the Mayflower. Among her relatives were William Mullens and his wife and daughter Priscilla, the latter becoming the wife of John Alden; James Chilton, wife and daughter Mary, who was the first of the entire number of passengers to step foot on Plymouth Rock, leaping lightly to the rock as the boat was brought to anchor. Many are the intimate and interesting tales told by the family concerning these early pioneers who first settled New England. It was Priscilla Mullens who prepared the first Thanksgiving dinner and among the invited guests were the Indians, with whom there had already sprung up a friendship. From such an ancestral line Mrs. Law was descended. She passed away on the 5th of November, 1912, while Mr. Law survived only until December of the same year, and both were eighty-nine years of age at the time of their demise. They had become the parents of the following children: Mrs. M. V. Card, now a widow; Edwin C. Law, district freight agent of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, who married Katharine Tracy and has one child, Edwin; Robert J., who is engaged in the real estate business with offices in the Nicholas building and who married Katharine Ganson, by whom he has three children, Leila, who is the wife of Edward L. Clapp, Vernum Law and Susan, who is now Mrs. Herbert Kelty; Sheridan E., who is with the Irving B. Hiett Company and who married Emily Hoyt, and they have a daughter, Alice, who is the wife of John Irving Nelson; Mrs. Herbert Bissell, who has two children, Mary and Herbert; Mary E., principal of the Law Froebel Kindergarten Training School of Toledo; Dr. L. C. Law, deceased, who had one son, Channing E., now a resident of Denver, Colorado; and Ovid Britt Law of Detroit, Michigan, who has a son, Harvy R., living in Toledo.

LEO S. HILLEBRAND

Leo S. Hillebrand, a native son of Toledo and a member of one of the old and highly respected families of the city, is secretary and treasurer of the A. Bentley & Sons Company, well known engineers and building contractors, controlling extensive business interests, and has risen to his present position through the strength of his mental endowments and his keen appreciation of responsibility. He was born in this city July 29, 1886, and is a son of Frank and Christina (Meyer) Hillebrand, who are also natives of Ohio, the former born in Cincinnati and the latter in Lucas county. In the early '60s the father came to Toledo, where he entered mercantile circles, and for forty years he successfully engaged in the furniture business, becoming recognized as one of the leading merchants of the city. He is now living retired in Toledo, where he is widely known and highly respected, and the mother also survives. In their family were five children: Frank,

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a resident of Detroit, Michigan; William, and Mrs. Gertrude Schneider of Toledo; Sister Mary Constance, who is connected with a convent at Ann Arbor, Michigan; and Leo S.

After completing his grammar school course Leo S. Hillebrand entered the St. Francis de Sales high school of Toledo, from which he was graduated in 1902, and he then obtained employment with the Pennsylvania Railroad, while later he was with the Toledo Terminal Railroad Company. His identification with the A. Bentley & Sons Company dates from 1903, and starting in a clerical capacity he was advanced from one position to another of greater responsibility as his experience and efficiency increased, until at length he was made secretary and treasurer, which offices he now fills. There is no department of the undertaking with which he is not thoroughly familiar and his enterprise and keen sagacity have enabled him to formulate plans which have materially promoted the success of the concern. The nature and scope of the work which they have accomplished and the importance of their interests establishes their position among the foremost representatives of industrial interests in Toledo and Mr. Hillebrand also has voice in the management of the subsidiary companies controlled by the A. Bentley & Sons Company, as well as in that of other large business interests of the city.

On the 23d of January, 1918, Mr. Hillebrand was married to Miss Lorine Monks, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Monks of Toledo, and they have two children: Leo S., Jr., who was born September 29, 1919; and James Richard, born April 2, 1921. The family are communicants of the Roman Catholic church and Mr. Hillebrand is a member of the Knights of Columbus, in which he has taken the third degree. He is also connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Toledo Commerce and Transportation clubs, the Ottawa River Yacht Club and the Toledo Club, while his political allegiance is given to the republican party. Each step in his career has been a forward one and his life record is one in which notable business ability and the recognition and utilization of opportunity are well balanced forces. He has ever adhered closely to the rules which govern strict integrity and unabating industry and has many friends whose esteem he has won and retained by reason of his high principles and fine personal qualities.

LLOYD THOMAS WILLIAMS

Lloyd Thomas Williams, member of the firm of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams, one of the foremost law firms of the state, was born May 31, 1874, in Jackson, Ohio, a son of William E. and Anna (Hughes) Williams. He received his early education in the public schools of his native city and after his graduation from the high school entered the Ohio State University and was graduated with the Bachelor of Philosophy degree in 1896, while in 1900 the LL. B. degree was conferred upon him.

He began practice alone in Toledo, in 1900, and in 1903 associated himself with the firm of Brown and Geddes. In 1905 he was admitted to partnership under the firm style of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams.

On the 12th of September, 1912, Mr. Williams was married to Miss Frances E. Baker and they have become parents of two daughters and two sons: Frances Elizabeth, Alice Pamelia, Lloyd Thomas, Jr., and William Arthur.

Mr. Williams is a member of the Toledo Club, the County Club, and of the

Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He belongs to Rubicon Lodge, F. & A. M., Fort Meigs Chapter, R. A. M., Toledo Council, R. & S. M., and St. Omer Commandery, Knights Templars. He also has membership in the Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Phi and Phi Beta Kappa. His religious connection is with the First Congregational church. Along strictly professional lines his association is with the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar associations.

HARRY MORRIS GOULD

Harry M. Gould, vice president and treasurer of The Gould Realty Company, is one of the best known real estate men in Toledo, not only from the character and importance of the transactions negotiated by his firm but as well from his long connection with the real estate business.

Harry Morris Gould was born in Russian Poland, December 5, 1890, and was nine years old when his parents came to the United States and established the family home in Toledo. In this city he attended the public and high schools and early in life started on his business career. He sold newspapers on the streets and even then displayed a grasp of business affairs and a power of organization that was more natural of a mature mind than one of his age. While yet an eighth grade school boy he controlled a newspaper business of twelve hundred customers in the down-town district, requiring the services of twelve regular carriers and two extras. Young Gould was the owner of the business and had built up to a point where it brought him an income of fifty dollars a week and was so well organized that when he disposed of it he was able to realize nearly one thousand per cent profit. For a time he owned a cigar store in the lobby of the St. Clair building, but in 1910 he began his career in the real estate business, which he has ever since followed. About that time he purchased the insurance business of Alex. Tyler, also that of A. A. Walp, both representing different lines, which he combined with a general real estate business under his own name and opened offices in the St. Clair building. Mr. Gould thus carried on his business as an individual until 1918, when in company with his brother, Louis H., (who is mentioned elsewhere in this work), he organized The Gould Realty Company. This Company handles only down-town business property, specializing in ninety-nine-year leases, being the pioneer real estate firm in Toledo to make this specialty the feature of its operations. They have negotiated many important property transfers, and enjoy an exceptionally high class clientele. Straightforward business methods have always characterized their dealings, with the result that the firm is regarded as one of the representative real estate houses in Toledo.

On the 26th of January, 1915, Mr. Gould was married to Miss Hylda Schragenheim of this city and they have three children, all born in Toledo: Virginia Harriett; Robert Allen, born August 25, 1918; and Shirley-Ann.

Mr. Gould has been a member of the Newsboys' Association since its organization and his aid and cooperation can always be counted upon to further any plan or project that will safeguard the youth of the city and lead to the development of his latent talents and the growth of character that has its foundation in justice, truth and right. He is a self-made man in the fullest meaning of the term and while not yet of middle age, has achieved a success that more often represents a lifetime of effort. He has a wide acquaintance among Toledo's business men that,

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in a great many cases, dates back to his newsboy days. Mr. Gould belongs to B'nai B'rith and the Collingwood temple and he has membership in the Progress Club, the Glengarry Country Club and the Chamber of Commerce, and his interests and activities reach out along constantly broadening lines which touch the welfare of society. His residence is at No. 2317 Rosewood avenue.

WHITHAM ALBERT BOARDMAN

Whitman Albert Boardman is the secretary, treasurer and manager of The East Side Iron Elevator Company, a grain trade concern of Toledo. Capability and efficiency have brought him to his present business connection and his labors are now constituting an important element in the steady growth of the enterprise. Toledo numbers him not only among her representative business men but also among her native sons, his birth having here occurred December 7, 1886. He was the fourth in a family of five children whose parents were Avery W. and Fannie May (Funk) Boardman. The father started out to earn his living as a newsboy and for many years was identified with railroad interests, holding positions of increasing responsibility and eventually becoming a most active and progressive business man of Toledo. He was born in Akron, Summit county, Ohio, January 6, 1848, his parents being John C. and Priscilla P. (Granger) Boardman, who were natives of the state of New York. In the Granger line he is descended from Thomas Granger, who was a fifer of the American army during the Revolutionary war, while Lemuel Granger, the grandfather of Avery W. Boardman, became a pioneer resident of Akron, Ohio, and superintended the building of the nine canal locks at that place. The Boardman family was also established in Ohio in 1812 by the great-grandfather of Whitman A. Boardman, who purchased government land near Springfield. His son, John C. Boardman, was born in Washington county, New York, April 2, 1803, and was but a boy when brought to Ohio. He became a stonecutter and contractor and lived in Summit county until his death in 1869.

It was in that county that Avery W. Boardman was reared, attending the public schools of Akron, and when quite young he became a wage earner as a newsboy on the old Atlantic & Great Western Railway, working thus for several years. He afterward became a brakeman on that road and on the 5th of February, 1872, secured employment as a brakeman with the Wabash Railroad Company. Some time afterward he was appointed yardmaster in the freight yards at Toledo and later was transferred to Danville, Illinois, where he sustained injuries that caused the loss of his left leg. With his return to Toledo he was given a position in the freight offices of the Wabash company and after five years was transferred to the elevator offices of the Wabash System at Toledo, there occupying a responsible position that enabled him later to establish business on his own account. In 1894 he became the first secretary and manager of The Iron Elevator Company of Toledo, builder of the first iron elevator in the world. In 1895 he became one of the incorporators of The East Side Iron Elevator Company, of which he was secretary and general manager until January 1, 1914, when he was succeeded in the position by his son Whitman. Avery W. Boardman retired from active business to become director of the public service of Toledo under appointment of Mayor Carl Keller, but while he rendered signal service to the public

in that position, he resigned before his term expired. He would not lower his standards of service and efficiency in the office and this brought him into a clash with professional politicians who would sacrifice good government and efficiency to the rewards of office. It is said that few men in Toledo have ever been better informed concerning the political position and interests of the city and at all times he has also kept well informed on the vital questions and problems affecting the country.

Avery W. Boardman is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he has taken the degrees of subordinate lodge and encampment, and also of the Daughters of Rebekah. He likewise belongs to Anthony Wayne Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and he is identified with the Toledo Produce Exchange, the Toledo Commerce Club, the Transportation Club and the Toledo Settlement Association. He and his family are actively identified with the Washington Street Congregational church, in which for many years he served as treasurer and as trustee, while in the Sunday school he was superintendent of the senior department. In all branches of the church work he has long been deeply and helpfully interested and his influence is ever on the side of progress and uplift.

On the 29th of April, 1873, Avery W. Boardman was married to Miss Fannie May Funk, daughter of Christian and Mary (Schoff) Funk of Danville, Illinois. Their children are five in number: Ethel, Grace, John C., Whitman A. and Frederick A.

When Whitman A. Boardman left the Toledo public schools it was with the intention of seeing something of the country, prompted by the restlessness and desire for experience that come to most youths. He made a trip to Missouri, where for seven months he worked on a farm owned by an uncle then living in Shelby county. With his return to Toledo, however, he recognized the need of further educational training and became a student in the Davis Business College. He followed in his father's business footsteps by becoming a railroad man and was employed on the Clover Leaf between Toledo and St. Louis for a short time, while later he went to Denver and thence to a ranch at Morrison, Colorado. He was at different periods in Greeley and Boulder, Colorado, and in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as well as in points on the Pacific coast. Until the San Francisco earthquake of 1906 he was employed on the Leland Stanford University ranch at Vina, California, after which he was with the McCloud River Railway and Lumber Company in that state for six months. His father needing him at home, he returned to Toledo and became a grain sampler with the Toledo Produce Exchange under the inspection department. A little later he entered the employ of The East Side Iron Elevator Company, of which his father was secretary and manager. His first position was that of bookkeeper and later he was advanced to assistant manager, while on the 1st of January, 1914, he succeeded his father in the official capacity of secretary and manager. Since then he has given his attention to administrative direction and executive control of the business and in 1916 he was also made treasurer. He thus figures prominently in connection with the grain trade of Toledo and has gained a place among the representative and progressive business men of the city.

On the 12th of April, 1909, Mr. Boardman was married to Miss Onlee Marie Bird, a native of Elkhart, Indiana, but reared and educated partly in Toledo. She is a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George M. Bird of this city and by her marriage she has become the mother of one child, Helen Marie, born in Toledo.

Mr. Boardman, like his father, has become prominently known in political circles. He has closely studied the vital questions affecting the welfare of the city and state and his opinions have for a number of years carried weight in republican councils. In 1914 he was a director of the Lucas County Republican League. None question the integrity of his position. He stands firmly for what he believes to be right and works just as untiringly for the principles he espouses as though he was to receive renumeration therefor. He never hesitates to support his ideals of citizenship and in reaching forward toward the betterment of conditions he employs most practical and effective methods.

Mr. Boardman is also widely known in other connections. He is an active member of the Toledo Produce Exchange and the Toledo Commerce Club and Masonry finds in him a most worthy exemplar, his membership being in Sanford L. Collins Lodge, No. 396, F. & A. M.; Toledo Chapter, R. A. M.; Toledo Council, R. & S. M.; St. Omer Commandery, K. T., of which he was senior warden in 1915; and Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He and his family are members of the Washington Street Congregational church and their social position is an enviable one, while the hospitality of many of the best homes of the city is freely accorded them. Varied, indeed, have been the experiences which go to make up the life record of Whitman A. Boardman. Roughing it in the west for many years, he came to a realization of what are the real values in life and to judge at their true worth the principles of industry, determination and integrity. His career has at all times been purposeful, his labors resultant, and he has advanced step by step not only in business connections but also in that influence which has to do with the standards of citizenship and efficiency in connection with the discharge of public duties.

AL E. REUBEN

Toledo has the reputation of having the largest real estate offices in the United States, except Chicago and New York, and it has the largest number of ground floor offices. It took vision on the part of Toledo realtors, and vim and vigor, to place Toledo in this enviable position. One of the men whose progressive spirit and untiring efforts aided greatly in this accomplishment was Al E. Reuben, president of the Reuben Realty Company—one of Toledo's largest real estate organizations. Mr. Reuben, while still a young man, has won wonderful success in his chosen profession and has accomplished much for the growth of this city.

In the city of Toledo on October 26, 1892, Al E. Reuben was born, and has resided here continuously. In the Central high school he received his diploma and immediately after graduation he began to cast about to select his life's vocation. The sale and exchange of realty appealed to him and a little over ten years ago he opened a modest little office on one of the upper floors in the Nasby building. During the first year his brother, Zale A. Reuben, joined him and the present Reuben Realty Company was organized.

With the constant growth of the business this company has changed repeatedly into larger quarters until now it occupies the commodious ground floor offices at No. 607-609 Madison avenue. Even in these large quarters the Reuben organization is cramped for space and plans are being discussed to remodel and construct a model real estate building on the property at No. 311 Superior street

purchased two years ago by this company for offices. Here the firm proposes to build one of the most complete real estate homes in the country—one that will house its attorneys, architects, building and insurance departments and all the other branches of an up-to-date realty organization.

It was great faith in Toledo, combined with a wonderful capacity for work which built this company. The Reuben Company stands as a monument to the enterprise and constructive ability of its president and founder. During the life of the Reuben Realty Company it has platted twenty-eight additions to take care of Toledo's growth and is now planning to place several more allotments on the market. Mr. Al Reuben, in addition to his real estate activities, founded and is president of the Toledo Mortgage Company, one of Toledo's newest but one of its most successful financial institutions. This company was formed to aid home owners in the purchase of their property and has proven a great boon since the days when banks were unable to loan on Toledo realty because of financial stringency.

Mr. Reuben married on November 11, 1922, Miss Lillian Durbin, of this city, a daughter of D. L. Durbin.

Mr. Reuben is a great lover of outdoor sports. He was one of the founders of the Ottawa Park Riding Club, which has constructed one of the finest riding rings and club houses in the county. He belongs to the Toledo Yacht Club and takes great pleasure in his yacht, "The Lotus." Of both the Elks and Masons he is a member, and of practically every society of civic nature to help Toledo grow.

HARRY CLAYTON TILLOTSON

Toledo owes much to the enterprising spirit and business acumen of Harry Clayton Tillotson, whose initiative spirit and powers of organization have led to the development of one of the leading productive industries of the city, and the success which he has won is well merited, for it has been gained through industry, ability and determination. He was born in Medina county, Ohio, December 7, 1866, and his parents were Miles and Parnell (Butts) Tillotson, the former a native of Springfield, Massachusetts, and the latter of Canandaigua, New York. In early life they came to Ohio and in Medina county the father became well known as a building contractor. Later he removed with his family to Ovid, Michigan, and secured the position of general superintendent of a large sash, door and blind factory, continuing to act in that capacity until 1869, when he was killed by an accident. The mother's demise occurred at Ovid, Michigan, when she was seventy-four years of age. There were three children in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Tillotson: Harry C.; Frank, a resident of Detroit, Michigan; and Mrs. Ida Voorhies of Ovid, that state.

In the public schools of Ovid, Michigan, Harry Clayton Tillotson obtained his education and on starting out in life for himself he engaged in the bicycle business, which was then at its height, being very successful in that line of activity. Later he went to Chicago, Illinois, becoming distributor for a well known firm of automobile manufacturers and also continuing the sale of bicycles, and for ten years he remained a resident of that city. In 1914 he returned to Toledo, to which city he had first come in 1897, being connected with the Consolidated Manufacturing

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Company for the production of Yale bicycles and automobiles. For some time he had been engaged in perfecting an automobile carburetor and in 1914 he became one of the organizers of the Tillotson Manufacturing Company for the purpose of placing his invention upon the market. From its inception the venture proved a success and in the intervening period the business has enjoyed a steady growth, about five hundred men now being employed in its plant, which is located at the junction of the City boulevard with the tracks of the Michigan Central Railroad Company. The company's carburetor is recognized as one of the best on the market and the firm is kept constantly busy with orders, supplying the manufacturers of the Overland, Durant and other high grade automobiles. The officers of the company are: Harry C. Tillotson, president; Royal R. Scott, secretary; and Vincent H. Harris, treasurer. Mr. Tillotson carefully supervises every detail of the business, while he also has the ability to see clearly its larger aspects, and has secured a high degree of efficiency in the operation of the plant, which was erected in 1917 and is one of the finest and best equipped in this section of the country.

In Chicago, on the 4th of January, 1894, Mr. Tillotson was married to Miss Mary E. Schorr, whose parents were residents of Millersburg, Ohio, and they have two children: Helen E., who was born in Chicago and is a graduate of Monticello Seminary; and Parnell A., who is a native of this city and also attended that educational institution after completing her public school course. Mr. Tillotson is identified with the Masonic fraternity and his political support is given to the men and measures of the republican party. He is a member of the Toledo, Inverness Country and Toledo Yacht clubs, the Chamber of Commerce and the Merchants & Manufacturers Association and of the last named organization he served as president for two terms. He is a man of well balanced capacities and powers who has steadily progressed since his initial effort was made in the field of business, and the importance of his interests establishes his position among the foremost representatives of industrial activity in Toledo, which has greatly benefited through his progressive citizenship. Mr. Tillotson resides in the Ottawa Hills section.

L. A. WILLOUGHBY, M. D.

Dr. L. A. Willoughby, specializing in urology, is one of the leaders in his chosen field in the medical profession in Toledo. Born in Watseka, Illinois, on the 21st of March, 1881, he is a son of Leonidas A. and Emily (Capron) Willoughby, whose family numbered two children, the daughter being Ethel E. Willoughby, now a teacher of English in the Woodward high school of Toledo. The family removed to this city when Dr. Willoughby was but five years of age and here he acquired his education in the public schools, while in preparation for his professional career he attended the Toledo Medical College, from which he was graduated with the class of 1903.

Having thus qualified for his profession, he entered upon general practice in Toledo but soon concentrated his efforts upon his specialty and his highly developed skill and efficiency in this field make him one of the leading urologists of Toledo and the state. In 1910 he pursued a postgraduate course in urology at Johns Hopkins University, and in 1913 took postgraduate work in St. Peter's Hospital in London, England, and also did work in other leading hospitals on the continent. His training has been most comprehensive and he continues a close

student of the profession, keeping in touch with the latest researches and discoveries. He has been associated with the health department of the city and is a member of the staff of the Municipal Hospital as assistant director of the urological department, a position which he has occupied from the beginning. During the World war he was on the medical advisory board for the Toledo district and was given a commission as captain of the Medical Corps, being on active duty at Camp Taylor.

Dr. Willoughby was married in 1919 to Miss Bernice Lash. He belongs to the Masonic fraternity and its beneficent principles find expression in his life work. He is an equally loyal member of the Methodist Episcopal church and in politics he maintains an independent course. Along professional lines he is associated with the Lucas County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Association, the American Urological Association and the American Medical Association and he eagerly embraces every opportunity for advancing his knowledge and promoting his skill in his chosen field of labor, meeting every responsibility and duty with a deep sense of conscientious obligation.

EDWARD HENRY RHOADES

Edward Henry Rhoades, deceased, was recognized as one of the leading attorneys of Toledo for many years. The court records bear testimony to many favorable verdicts that he won, which brought him prominently before the public as a most able and resourceful lawyer. Mr. Rhoades and his wife, Anna Sophia (Rhoades) Rhoades, were both natives of central New York state.

Edward Henry Rhoades was graduated from the law school of the University of Michigan in 1868, and the following year he entered upon the active practice of the profession in Toledo, where his name became a synonym for intense activity in law practice and loyalty to the highest standards of the profession. He numbered among his clientele many of the leading business figures of the city and it has often been said that he enjoyed the confidence and esteem of all who knew him. Mr. Rhoades continued in active practice until his death on April 23, 1913, being survived by his wife and two sons, Edward H., Jr., and John D.

For a number of years prior to the death of Mr. Rhoades both of his sons were associated with him in the practice of law and one of Mr. Rhoades' greatest joys in life was to see how ably they were following in his footsteps.

John D. Rhoades was born in Toledo, September 15, 1877. He attended the public and high schools of Toledo, being one of the first graduates in the four years course from the Central high school, completing the course in 1898. He next became a student in Oberlin College and was there graduated with the class of 1902. His law studies were pursued in the office and under the direction of his father and he was admitted to practice in 1904. His early training was thorough and upon admission to the bar he became a law partner of his father and brother, since which time he has been a partner in the firm of Rhoades & Rhoades, for since the father's death he has been associated with his brother and they, too, maintain an enviable position at the Toledo bar. John D. Rhoades is a member of the Lucas County Bar Association and also has membership relations with the Toledo Auto Club, the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and the Sons of the American Revolution. He is likewise a member of the Northern Ohio Historical Society. His

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political endorsement has always been given to the republican party, which he loyally supports at the polls, although he has never sought public office.

His interest outside of his profession centers largely in Christian work. He has been an active member of The Ashland Avenue Baptist church of Toledo for years, and for the past seven years has been one of the board of managers of The American Baptist Publication Society; also for a number of years, the president of the Toledo Baptist Union, and for one year the vice-chairman of the Ohio Council of Northern Baptist Laymen.

Edward H. Rhoades, partner of John D. Rhoades, in the law firm of Rhoades & Rhoades, was born in Toledo, August 9, 1872, and in the pursuit of his education attended the Central high school, from which he was graduated in 1891. At Oberlin College he remained a student for several years and is numbered among its alumni of 1896. His law studies were pursued in his father's office and he was admitted to practice in 1899, after which he became associated with his father in the trial of many cases. In fact, a partnership relation was established between them and following the father's demise the brothers continued in active professional association, under the firm style of Rhoades & Rhoades. They have a large law practice of a distinctively representative character and their work before the courts has won them high commendation.

On the 21st of November, 1899, E. H. Rhoades was married to Miss Maude Hosler of Kendallville, Indiana, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William W. Hosler of Noble county, that state. They have two children: William H., born in Toledo in 1900 and now a senior in Denison University of this state; and Edward H., who was born in Noble county, Indiana, January 4, 1914, and is now a pupil in the Toledo schools.

Like his brother, E. H. Rhoades is a republican and he also has membership connection with the Toledo Automobile Club and the Sons of the American Revolution. His interest aside from his law practice and his family, is largely in Christian work. For the past seventeen years he has been superintendent of The Ashland Avenue Baptist Sunday school; for over six years he has been the president of the Ohio Baptist convention, and has served for two years on the administrative committee of the Baptist General Board of Promotion. The Rhoades family has for considerably more than a half century been closely associated with law practice in Toledo and, more than that, has figured prominently in connection with the development and establishment of high standards in the community.

WALTER A. EVERSMAN

Walter A. Eversman, a member of the firm of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams, is the son of Frederick W. and Elizabeth (Graether) Eversman. He graduated from the Toledo high school and immediately thereafter matriculated at the University of Michigan, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1901, and the degree of LL. B. in 1903. He passed the bar examinations in 1903. The year following his graduation he spent in study in Germany at the universities of Berlin and Munich.

On June 25, 1910, Mr. Eversman married Miss Grace L. Greenhalgh.

In 1918 Mr. Eversman was appointed general solicitor in charge of the legal department of the Toledo, St. Louis & Western Railroad for the Federal govern-

ment. At the termination of Federal control he was elected general solicitor and director of Toledo, St. Louis & Western Railroad Company and has continuously since been in charge of the legal department of that corporation. Mr. Eversman is a member of the local, State and American Bar associations.

EUGENE MORRIS LEMPERT

Eugene Morris Lempert, treasurer of the Weber Clothing Company, is thus identified with one of the largest clothing establishments in this section of the state, devoted exclusively to handling men's and boys' clothing. He is a native of Rochester, New York, born July 20, 1886, and is a son of Morris H. and Sophia (Harris) Lempert, the former a native of England, while the latter was born in the state of New York. The father came to America in early life and, residing at Rochester, New York, was there engaged in the manufacture of men's felt hats, being the originator of what at one time was known as the Dollar Hat. For a number of years he was recognized as one of the largest hat manufacturers of the state of New York, having an extensive plant in Rochester and conducting a business that extended over a wide territory. In 1893 he came to Toledo, where he opened a hat jobbing business and also purchased the business of the Weber Clothing Company, becoming president thereof. He concentrated his efforts and energies upon this undertaking and built up the business to its present large proportions, remaining president of the company to the time of this writing. He also became the owner of the Landover Hat Stores, which he founded in a number of cities and of which he is still owner. He is likewise engaged in the jobbing of men's hats. A man of marked enterprise, he has steadily developed his interests from a small beginning until he is today one of the foremost merchants and jobbers of the state and of the middle west. To him and his wife were born two children, the brother of E. M. Lempert being Bernard F., who also remains in Toledo.

Eugene Morris Lempert attended the schools of Toledo, passing through consecutive grades to the high school, and later became a student in the Orchard Lake Military Academy at Orchard Lake, Michigan, in which he remained a student for three years, and on the expiration of that period he returned to Toledo, where he became associated with the business enterprises of which his father is the head. Eugene Morris Lempert is now the treasurer of the Weber Clothing Company, also of the Frankenberg & Lempert Hat Company and the Landover Hat Stores. He has displayed thoroughness and diligence in mastering every phase and detail of the business interests with which he is identified and has become a forceful and resourceful factor in both commercial and manufacturing circles. His indefatigable energy and his unfaltering determination enable him to carry forward to success whatever he undertakes and in his vocabulary, like that of his father, there has never been any such word as fail.

Mr. Lempert is widely, prominently and favorably known in club and social circles of the city and was serving as president of the Toledo Automobile Club up to the time when he entered the war, when he was commissioned captain in the Quartermaster Department and later won promotion to the rank of major. He was sent overseas, where he established and systematized the clothing repair department, of which he had charge under Colonel Franklin D. Olier, remaining

overseas for twenty-three months. On his return he again took up his work in connection with the three corporations of which he is the treasurer and has concentrated his efforts and attention upon the further development and control of the business.

Mr. Lempert is a member of the Masonic lodge and of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is also identified with the American Legion and his political support is given to the republican party. He belongs to various fraternal and social organizations, having membership with the Toledo Yacht Club, the Maumee River Yacht Club, the Progress Club, the Young Men's Christian Association, the Young Men's Hebrew Club, the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Golf Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and the American Legion. His interests and connections are thus wide and varied and he has given earnest and adequate support to all those forces which make for public progress and improvement, for social advancement, for the betterment of business conditions and for the organized efforts that are being put forth to advance the intellectual and moral welfare of the community.

DAVID D. DELZELL, M. D.

Dr. David D. Delzell, one of Toledo's well known and highly respected physicians, is engaged in the general practice of medicine and surgery and his professional activities have always been confined to this city. He was born at Logansport, Indiana, November 3, 1885, and is a son of Dr. David Edgar and Hattie (Miller) Delzell, who are also natives of the Hoosier state, the birth of the former occurring in Carroll county, while the latter was born in Cass county. For forty-five years the father has devoted his attention to the practice of dentistry, in which he has gained expert skill, ranking with the pioneer members of this profession in the state. To Dr. and Mrs. Delzell have been born three children: Paul, a resident of Detroit, Michigan; Bernice, who is living at Logansport, Indiana; and David D.

David D. Delzell acquired his early education in his native city and a year after his graduation from high school he entered the medical department of the University of Illinois at Chicago, which conferred upon him the M. D. degree in 1912. Coming to Toledo, he became an interne at the County Hospital and in 1913 he opened an office in this city, where he has since been located. He has won the confidence of the public and has been accorded a large practice in recognition of his professional skill. He closely studies the cases that come under his care and keeps in touch with the great truths which medical science is constantly revealing. He has been called to public office, serving as city health physician in 1914 and making a highly commendable record in that connection. He practices in all of the hospitals of the city and is very conscientious in the discharge of his professional duties.

Dr. Delzell was married September 15, 1914, to Miss Ruth Wilda Smith, who became an orphan at an early age, and they have two children: David Edgar, born in May, 1915; and Margaret Louise, who was born August 5, 1916. Both are natives of Toledo and public school pupils. In his political views Dr. Delzell is a republican and in Masonry he has taken the Knights Templar degree, while he is also identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias. Professionally he is connected with the Toledo & Lucas County

Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association and during the World war he was appointed assistant surgeon of the United States Health Service. He has always conformed his practice to the highest ethics of the profession, in which he has made continuous progress, and to his chosen life work he gives his undivided attention.

WILLIAM O. HOLST

William O. Holst, conducting business at Toledo under the name of the W. O. Holst Builders' Supply Company, has spent practically his entire life in this city, although he was born in Christiania, Norway, April 23, 1864, his parents being Theodore and Hannah (Peterson) Holst. The family came to America in 1869, landing in New York city and going from there to Chicago, Illinois, where they lived a year before coming to Toledo. Theodore Holst was a cabinetmaker by trade. His skill in that art had brought him inducements to emigrate to America and work for the Illinois Central Railroad when that company began building the better class of railway coaches. After one year with the Illinois Central at Chicago, Theodore Holst moved in 1870 to Toledo and for thirty-nine consecutive years was employed at his trade in the shops of the Wabash Company of this city. He still makes his home in Toledo but has now retired from active business. His wife passed away in this city in 1919. To Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Holst there were born four sons: Edward C., who is connected with the Michigan Central Railway as train master; Elmer T., who is with the F. W. James Company of Toledo; Conrad A., who is with the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad; and William O., of this review.

The last named attended the public and high schools of Toledo, after which he engaged in railroad work for seventeen years, being identified with the operating department of the Michigan Central. While a high school pupil he had spent his leisure hours in the study of telegraphy in the office of the Wabash Railroad and immediately after finishing school was taken into the regular service of the company as telegraph operator, remaining in the Toledo offices for eight years. Subsequently he spent a similar period in the transportation department of the Michigan Central Railway and during the greater part of the time was yardmaster. When he left the railroad in 1900 to engage in business for himself, he settled on South Erie street, where he has since maintained his headquarters. He organized his interests under the name of the W. O. Holst Builders' Supply Company and the business has since grown to large proportions, being one of the foremost enterprises of the kind in the city. Mr. Holst is sole owner of the business, which furnishes employment to thirty-five people. He has a splendidly equipped plant with rail and water facilities and his capable management and wise direction of his interests have led to the steady development of the business until the results have been written in terms of success.

Mr. Holst has been married twice. He first wedded Miss Eva May Frisch of Toledo, the wedding being celebrated on the 23d of April, 1887. She passed away May 2, 1896, leaving two children: Raymond W., who was born in Toledo in 1888 and is now engaged in business with his father; and Bessie, who was born in Toledo in 1890 and died in 1908. The son married Miss Laura Digby of Bowling Green and they have become parents of two children: Betty Jane, born

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in 1915; and Billy, born in 1919. For his second wife Mr. Holst chose Miss Madeline M. Holland, the wedding being celebrated at Toledo, November 26, 1898.

Mr. Holst has long been recognized as a public-spirited citizen and his cooperation in matters intended to promote the public welfare is well known. In 1898 he was elected to the office of city clerk and filled that position for one term. In 1897 he was a member of the city council and acted as president thereof. He has qualities of leadership that usually bring him to the front in any connection. For two terms he was the president of the Transportation Club, to which he still belongs, and for an equal period he was president of the Ohio Builders' Supply Association. Fraternally he is a Mason, having taken the degrees of both the York and Scottish Rites, and he has filled all of the chairs in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He likewise belongs to the Toledo Club and to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, is a member of the Inverness Club, the Transportation Club, the Toledo Yacht Club and the Maumee River Yacht Club. All these are indicative of the nature of his interests and activities. He is identified with the Rotary Club and the Toledo Automobile Club and aside from his connection with other lodges is associated with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He enjoys the companionship of his fellows who have kindred tastes and interests and his social qualities make for popularity wherever he is known. He is always courteous, genial and obliging and he stands with those men of sterling worth whose well spent life is attested by the number and kind of their friends.

CHARLES JACOB MANDLER

Charles Jacob Mandler, president of the Allen Filter Company, was a man, whose inventive genius and research work brought him to a prominent position in scientific circles. In the matter of developing the manufacturing water purifiers he did work of inestimable value to the world and the whole country has benefited by his labors. Mr. Mandler was born in Elkhart, Indiana, July 26, 1874, a son of Jacob and Alice (Plant) Mandler. He was quite young when the family removed from Elkhart to Toledo and here he received his early education and graduated from the high school. He afterward studied for a year under private tutorship in Germany. Following his return to his native land he entered upon a law course at Cornell University, where he received the degree of B. L. in 1897 and that of LL. B. in 1898. With his graduation from Cornell he again took up his abode in Toledo, where he entered upon the active practice of his chosen profession, which he followed for about four years, making for himself an enviable reputation among those who were members of the Toledo bar at that time. Moreover, he was not only admitted to practice by the supreme court but had made notable progress in his chosen calling and undoubtedly would have risen to fame in that connection had not the trend of events turned his activities into other channels. Owing to the death of his father he turned to business interests and his talents as a constructive genius drew him into manufacturing. At the time of his death he was the head of the Allen Filter Company, a Toledo corporation, and to his inventive genius the company largely owes the high place which it now occupies in connection with the manufacture of water purifiers. His work and his experiments resulted in the perfection of the Mandler diatomaceous serum filter, which has been furnished in large quantities to the government for use in

hospitals since the beginning of the World war. It has also been widely used in laboratories and elsewhere, including the Parke-Davis, Mulford and other leading plants of that character throughout the country. It proved to be equal to the German filter and its value was at once recognized by scientific and professional men, not only throughout this country but in other lands as well. In 1918 Mr. Mandler pursued a special course of study in Ann Arbor and in every possible way through reading, research and investigation he broadened his knowledge and promoted his efficiency.

On the 22d of December, 1903, Mr. Mandler was united in marriage to Miss Bessie Wachter, a daughter of Peter and Mary Jane (Willcox) Wachter. Mr. Wachter was born in Germany and came to the United States when a boy, and for many years was the leading shoe merchant of Toledo. The mother was a daughter of Henry Willcox, representative of one of the honored pioneer families of northwestern Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Mandler became the parents of a daughter, Mary Alice.

Mr. Mandler held membership in the Congregational church, taking an active part in all church work and serving as treasurer and trustee at the time of his death. He gave his political allegiance to the republican party and cooperated in every movement which he deemed of value in promoting the public welfare. During the World war he was particularly active in support of all the efforts of the government to bring hostilities to a successful close and did earnest work in connection with the Liberty Loan campaigns and the Red Cross and other drives. He was a member of Sanford L. Collins Lodge, F. & A. M., and attained the Knights Templar degree in the commandery, at all times loyally following the teachings and purposes of the craft. He belonged also to the Commerce Club, and the nature of his recreation was largely indicated in the fact that he was a member of the Toledo Golf Club. His life in many respects approached the ideal. He was a devoted husband and father, a loyal son, a cheerful and effective worker in the church and a strong progressive student in scientific realms, qualities which at all times made him a most valuable citizen. His research work and inventions were most valuable and while he was extremely quiet and unassuming in manner, the worth of his work as a factor in the world's progress has long been widely acknowledged.

EDWARD PAYSON SEARLE

Edward Payson Searle, who under the name of the Monarch Manufacturing Company developed one of the important productive industries of Toledo in the manufacture of lubricating oils and greases, made for himself a place in the front rank of the substantial and representative business men of the city. His life story is the record of earnest endeavor and in his vocabulary there was no such word as fail. His plans were carefully formulated and promptly executed and his entire career proved the force of industry and determination as factors in the attainment of business prosperity. Mr. Searle was a native son of New England, his birth having occurred in Burlington, Vermont, October 21, 1839, his parents being Henry and Lodo (Robinson) Searle, the former an architect by profession. The mother was a direct descendant of Rev. John Robinson of Leyden, Holland, of Congregational fame.

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The removal of the family from the Green Mountain state to New York caused Edward Payson Searle to become a pupil in the public schools of Rochester, and when he had completed his education there, he entered the office of his father and acquainted himself with the building trades. He was so engaged when he put aside all business and personal considerations to aid his country in the defense of the Union, enlisting as a member of Company F, Thirteenth New York Infantry, on the 30th of April, 1861, to serve for two years. His regiment was assigned to the Fifth Army Corps and with his command he participated in both battles of Bull Run and in seventeen other skirmishes and engagements ere he was mustered out on the 31st of May, 1863. He continued as a private soldier, preferring to remain with his friends rather than enjoy military advancement. At one time he was captured but was promptly paroled.

After being mustered out Mr. Searle went to Medina, New York, where he engaged in the ice business and in market gardening, making his home in that city for a period of twenty-two years. He became quite a prominent figure in political circles there and at one time held the office of county sheriff. In 1891 he removed westward to Rockford, Illinois, where he engaged in the manufacture of lubricating oils and greases, continuing in that city for five years, when owing to a desire to secure better railroad facilities to promote his shipments, he removed his business to Council Bluffs, Iowa. There the business grew to such proportions that he deemed it advisable to establish a branch at Toledo. Mr. Searle was the president of the firm, which operated under the name of the Monarch Manufacturing Company, and with the establishment of the Toledo branch Fred Searle was appointed superintendent, while Henry Allan Searle was left in charge of the parent concern at Council Bluffs, as manager and treasurer. The business continued to grow and expand and today there is employed a very large force of men in the conduct of the business. The Toledo branch was established in the suburb of Ironville in 1902 and has justified the sound business judgment of its promoter, for the trade directed from this house has steadily developed to extensive and gratifying proportions.

While residing at Medina, New York, Mr. Searle was united in marriage on the 3d of May, 1865, to Miss Emily Prudden, a daughter of Henry and Sarah (Hulburd) Prudden. Four sons were born of their union: Robinson Prudden, who is now manager of the Balso Oil Company of Toledo; Henry Allan, in charge of the business of the Monarch Manufacturing Company at Council Bluffs, Iowa; Charles Edward, who is an illustrator of New York; and Fred Howard, who is superintendent of the Monarch Manufacturing Company at Toledo.

Mr. Searle retired from active connection with the business in 1910 and spent his remaining days in the enjoyment of a well earned rest. At the time of his death, which occurred on the 3d of July, 1918, he was engaged in writing his personal recollections of the Civil war. He always gave his political allegiance to the republican party and was a strong personal friend of Congressman Isaac R. Sherwood. His religious faith was that of the Congregational church and in club circles he was known as a member of the Transportation Club. He always proudly wore the little bronze button that proclaimed him a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and for two years, in 1907 and 1908, he served as commander of Toledo Post, occupying that position when the G. A. R. encampment was held in this city. He was also chief of staff of the state department. He never lightly regarded the duties and obligations of life but found pleasure in the performance of the daily tasks which came to him and in the discharge of his duties as a citizen. Opportunity was to him always a call to action and one to which he made ready response. He made

his work count as a factor in growth and progress in every community in which he lived and Toledo came to look upon him as a prominent representative of her commercial and manufacturing activities.

ALEXANDER L. SMITH

Alexander L. Smith, senior member of the law firm of Smith, Beckwith & Ohlinger of Toledo, was born June 16, 1855, in Columbus, Ohio, a son of Josiah D. and Ann Eliza (Osborn) Smith. He attended the public schools of Columbus, Ohio, while later he matriculated in Amherst College and received the Bachelor of Arts degree, upon graduation with the class of 1876. Subsequently he went to Germany, where he studied in the Berlin University and also in the Heidelberg University in the years of 1878 and 1879. He then began a course in law under private instruction and was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1882, while later he was admitted to practice in the United States courts. In 1897 he formed a partnership with George H. Beckwith that has since been maintained. They practiced under the style of Smith & Beckwith until 1914, when they were joined by a third partner, Gustavus Ohlinger, leading to the adoption of the present firm name of Smith, Beckwith & Ohlinger. Mr. Smith is general solicitor for the Ann Arbor Railroad and has largely specialized in corporation law. His practice has long been of a most important character and he occupies a place in the foremost ranks of the legal fraternity in this city. He is likewise one of the directors of the Commerce Guardian Trust & Savings Bank.

On the 9th of December, 1885, Mr. Smith was married to Miss Alice Doolittle, a daughter of General Charles C. Doolittle of Toledo. Mrs. Smith died on the 28th of March, 1906. Mr. and Mrs. Smith became parents of three children: Donald P., Emily H., and Elizabeth D.

Mr. Smith is a member of the First Unitarian church and has been signally honored with a membership on the national council of the Unitarian Laymen's League, one of the highest honors which can be conferred on a layman of this denomination. His interest in the public welfare and progress of the city is comprehensive and vital.

FRANK H. FRAZELLE

Frank H. Frazelle, well known in mercantile circles of Toledo as proprietor of the Frazelle Piano Company, was born in Lansing, Michigan, December 15, 1864, a son of Jacob and Katherine (Ruemley) Frazelle, who left their native land and crossed the Atlantic in one of the old-time sailing vessels. They first located at Batavia, New York, but soon afterward removed to Lansing, Michigan, where the father opened a bakery and confectionery store, building up a successful business along that line, and he also conducted a similar establishment at Mason, that state.

The grammar schools of Lansing and the high school at Mason, Michigan, afforded Frank H. Frazelle his early educational opportunities, and having developed a talent for music, he decided to fit himself for a professional career.

He became proficient on various instruments, and at length formed musical organizations. He became a band leader, and as the instructor of Frazelle's Band he acquired more than a local reputation. For eighteen years before locating in Toledo he acted as traveling representative in the piano trade. In March, 1911, he organized the F. H. Frazelle Piano Company, of which he has since been sole proprietor, and owing to his expert knowledge of the business and judicious management, he has built up one of the largest enterprises of this character in Toledo.

On the 2d of September, 1901, Mr. Frazelle was united in marriage to Miss Maude Moody of Toledo, a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George C. Moody of Mason, Michigan. Mr. Frazelle is a republican in his political views and his fraternal connections are with Sanford L. Collins Lodge, F. & A. M., the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. His labors have been effective and resultant and in business and social circles of the city his standing is of the highest.

RALPH ABNER LANDERS

Toledo owes much to the enterprising spirit and business ability of Ralph Abner Landers, whose activities for nearly twenty years have been a forceful factor in advancing the interests of the city along industrial lines. He was born at Somerville, Massachusetts, a suburb of Boston, September 23, 1873, and his parents were Stephen and Isabella (Adams) Landers, the former a native of Nova Scotia, Canada, while the latter was born on the Isle of Man, England. They became residents of Massachusetts at an early period in their lives and both passed away in that state. In their family were eight children, six of whom are living: Joseph W., of Boston, Massachusetts; James H., whose home is at Mattapan, that state; T. Nelson, residing at Milton; Charles S., of Somerville; Edward E., who is a resident of Belmont; and Ralph A. All are residents of the Bay State except Ralph A., their homes being either in or near the city of Boston.

Ralph Abner Landers acquired his education in the public schools of Somerville, Massachusetts, and on becoming a wage earner he attended night classes. He was connected with the dry goods commission houses in the east until 1904, when he came to Toledo for the purpose of opening a branch plant of the Landers Brothers Company, whose main factory had been established at Boston, Massachusetts. Mr. Landers is president and treasurer of the firm, which manufactures burlap, cotton goods, buckram, rubber cloth and webbing, and under his capable direction the business in this city has been rapidly developed, one hundred and fifty employes now being required to operate the plant. Mr. Landers is also prominently identified with other business enterprises, serving as president and general manager of the Toledo Auto Fabrics Company, president and treasurer of the American Buckram Weaving & Finishing Company; and is also a director of the Commercial Savings Bank and Trust Company. He possesses the foresight, initiative and executive force necessary for the successful management of extensive interests and his efforts are resultant factors in whatever he undertakes.

At Boston, Massachusetts, on the 28th of January, 1902, Mr. Landers was married to Miss Annetta McClure, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McClure, members of a prominent family of Prince Edward Island, Canada. They have become

the parents of three children: John W. Landers, the second son, is deceased; the others are: Robert G. Landers, who was born in Toledo in 1905 and is a senior in the Scott high school; and Sarah Louise Landers, who was born in 1912 and is also attending the public schools of the city.

Mr. Landers is a member of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church and his political support is given to the republican party. He is a member of the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club, the Toledo Yacht Club and the Orpheus Club and of the last named organization has served as president. He is a Knights Templar Mason and in the consistory he has attained the thirty-second degree, while he has also crossed the sands of the desert with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Like all men who have achieved success in the best sense of the terms, he has been an indefatigable worker and his prosperity has been won by methods which neither seek nor require disguise. In manufacturing circles of Toledo he occupies a position of importance and what he has accomplished represents the fit utilization of his innate powers and talents. Mr. Landers' residence is at No. 403 Melrose avenue.

JOHN WELLINGTON BUNTING

John Wellington Bunting, president of the Bunting Brass and Bronze Company, one of Toledo's important industries, was born in Salem, Ohio, June 8, 1882, and is a son of William and Fannie (Brown) Bunting, the former a native of Ireland, while the latter was born in England. They came to America about 1880, locating in Salem, Ohio, where the father established a brass and bronze manufacturing plant—an industry of which the present Bunting Brass & Bronze Company is the outgrowth. The father died in Toledo in 1916, having in the meantime made steady progress in his business career and retaining the presidency of the company to the time of his demise. The mother still survives. In their family were four children: William H., J. W., Olivia Frances and Charles E.

John Wellington Bunting attended the public schools of Salem and of Mansfield, Ohio, and afterward continued his education in the Wooster Academy, while later he entered Purdue University, pursuing the engineering course. He left the University in 1906 and entered the employ of the Ames Bag Machine Company at Cleveland, Ohio, with which he remained for two years. On the expiration of that period he joined his father in the brass manufacturing business at Alliance, Ohio, in 1908, his father having organized the Bunting Brass & Bronze Company, at Alliance, Ohio, in 1907. His original connection with the enterprise was that of sales manager, but he worked his way steadily upward, mastering every phase and detail of the business, until in 1916 he became president of the company. In 1910 the business was removed from Alliance to Toledo and is now continued under the style of the Bunting Brass & Bronze Company. The business has grown steadily and as an important factor in its management Mr. Bunting has utilized his opportunities in producing most creditable results. When the enterprise was started there were but twenty employes, and to-day the company has a normal force of five hundred. Its magnificent plant is not only one of the best kept and most ably managed industrial projects in Toledo, but one of the most modern in the country in its line. Aside from his association with the Bunting Brass & Bronze Company, J. W. Bunting is one of the directors of the Maumee

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Pattern Company of Toledo and also of the National Development Company, incorporated to develop new ideas and patents.

On the 22d of April, 1912, Mr. Bunting was married to Miss Mary Boyle of Tonawanda, New York, a daughter of James Boyle of Tonawanda. They have one child, Bruce Brown, born in Toledo, April 14, 1918.

Politically Mr. Bunting is a republican and has given stanch support to the party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. His religious faith is that of the Episcopal church and fraternally he is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, having been one of its trustees since 1919. He is well known in club circles, being identified with the Toledo, Inverness and Maumee River Yacht clubs—associations which indicate much of the nature of his relaxation and interests outside of business. Most important manufacturing activities, however, have claimed the greater part of his time and attention and as one of the factors in the development of the vast business controlled by the Bunting Brass & Bronze Company, he has gained a place in the foremost rank of Toledo's manufacturers.

GEORGE B. HOREN

Owing nothing to the advantageous circumstances that ordinarily push men forward in business, George B. Horen has by the influence of his own ability risen to a position of note in commercial circles of Toledo and his initiative spirit and powers of organization have led to the development and upbuilding of the Ohio Ice Cream Company and the Northern Refrigerating Company, two of the large productive industries of the city, which he is now successfully conducting. He was born in Lucas county, Ohio, November 5, 1878, a son of Joseph and Emily (Skinner) Horen, both of whom were natives of the Buckeye state, in which they spent their lives, the father devoting his attention to the occupation of farming. Mr. Horen attended the country schools of Monroe county, Ohio, to the age of fourteen years, when he was left an orphan and was obliged to seek his own livelihood. For a time he was connected with the milk business and when sixteen years of age he came to Toledo, where for about twelve years he continued in the service of others. Through the exercise of economy and self-denial he accumulated sufficient capital to enable him to embark in an independent venture and he organized the Toledo Dairy Company which later took over the ice cream department of the Ohio Dairy Company. This merger became and is known at present as the Ohio-Toledo Ice Cream Company, of which he is the president, and the concern is one of the important manufacturing enterprises of the city, finding a ready market for its output, owing to its superior quality. Mr. Horen was one of the organizers of the Northern Refrigerating Company for the manufacture of artificial ice and is now serving as vice president and general manager of the undertaking, which is also enjoying a prosperous existence under his judicious management. He manifests strong executive power in the control of his interests and well defined plans and purposes have carried him steadily forward, his efforts being resultant factors in whatever he undertakes. He now has from one hundred and forty to one hundred and fifty people in his employ and gives his close personal supervision to every detail of his business, which he is operating along the most progressive lines, securing maximum results with a minimum expenditure of time, labor and material.

On March 5, 1907, Mr. Horen was married to Miss Minnie G. Kent, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Kent of Toledo, and they have become the parents of a daughter, Charlotte Jane, who was born in this city, April 5, 1913, and is now attending the public schools. Mr. Horen is a member of the Toledo Drug Club, the Kiwanis Club, the Maumee River Yacht Club and the Toledo Commerce Club, and fraternally he is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. His history is proof of the fact that it is under the pressure of necessity and the stimulus of opposition that the best and strongest in man are brought out and developed. The conditions of his early youth aroused his spirit of self-reliance and independence and developed a strong and vigorous manhood that has enabled him to cope with the problems of life and find for them a ready and accurate solution. The most envious cannot grudge him his success, so worthily and honorably has it been won, and he is a man whom to know is to esteem and admire. His residence is at No. 935 Prospect avenue.

JOHN S. SAALFIELD

John S. Saalfield, actively engaged in the practice of law in Toledo since his admission to the bar in 1906, was born on the 1st of November, 1883, in Bradford, Pennsylvania, and is a son of Henry and Mary (Lewis) Saalfield. He pursued his education in the public schools of Toledo and in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, in which he spent one year in the literary department. His review of the broad field of business with its limitless opportunities along agricultural, industrial, commercial and professional lines led him to the determination to become a member of the bar and with this end in view he pursued his law studies under private instruction from 1902 until 1905. His reading was thorough and comprehensive, qualifying him to pass the examination required for admission to the bar. He was licensed to practice in 1906 and through the intervening years has given his attention to professional interests in Toledo, trying all kinds of cases and trying them well. His knowledge of the law is being constantly augmented by his broad reading and further study.

GEORGE POPE MacNICHOL, JR.

Toledo, the center of the glass industry of the country, has drawn to herself many substantial and progressive business men who have found a fertile field of labor in connection with glass manufacturing. Notable development has been shown along this line, steady progress being made in methods of manufacture and in the system of handling the trade. It is with this important manufacturing industry that George Pope MacNichol, Jr., is now associated, having become treasurer of the Edward Ford Plate Glass Company. A native of Michigan, he was born in Wyandotte, May 8, 1899, and is a son of Dr. George Pope and Laura (Blaine-Ford) MacNichol. At the usual age he entered school, being educated in the James Franklin and Scott high schools of Toledo and he spent one year at the University of Michigan, when during the World war all other interests and activities were put aside that he might serve his country. He became a sea-

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man and was on active duty from the 18th of March to December, 1918, when the armistice having been signed he received his discharge. The country no longer needing his military aid, Mr. MacNichol then continued his education at Yale, leaving there in June, 1920, and the following November he became connected with the Edward Ford Plate Glass Company of Toledo as assistant treasurer, and in December, 1921, he was elected treasurer. He is one of the wide-awake, alert and energetic young business men of the city and aside from his connection with the glass industry is a director of the First National Bank, director of the Summit Trust Company and a member of the executive council of the Boy Scouts.

Mr. MacNichol was married on November 23, 1922, to Miss Emma Hetherington Smith of Norfolk, Virginia. In club and society circles Mr. MacNichol is also prominently known. He belongs to the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club, the Carranor Hunt and Polo Club, the Rotary Club, and the Cloister Club of Yale University. He is likewise a member of the Psi Upsilon, a college fraternity, and in hours of recreation he may be found giving his attention to golf, fishing and hunting.

MARIE ANTOINETTE KNAGGS

Marie Antoinette Knaggs is a member of one of the old and honored families of this section of the state. The founder of the family was George Knaggs (I), the great-grandfather of Miss Knaggs. He came from England to the colonies about 1750, settling first at Philadelphia and in 1760 made his home at what is now old Fort Miami. He was an officer in the British army and was stationed at Fort Miami at least for a time during his stay on the frontier. He was a friend of Sir William Johnstone. Before General Anthony Wayne passed with his army through this region, on a campaign against the Indians, George Knaggs moved his family to Detroit, in 1768, and there spent his remaining years. He married Rachel Sly in Philadelphia. She was of Holland ancestry, educated in a convent in Philadelphia, and was very proficient in different languages. The children of George Knaggs were most of them born in Fort Miami. They were: Whitmore, who was born in 1763, and he is given further mention below; George, who was born in 1765; Elizabeth, who married Colonel John Anderson, an officer of the United States army and a soldier in the War of 1812, whose home was in Monroe, Michigan; Anne, who was born in 1777; Rebecca, who married Joseph May, a brother of Judge May of Detroit, and who resided in Monroe; James, who became a noted Indian fighter and was one of the eye witnesses to the killing of Chief Tecumseh at the battle of the Thames, it being either the bullet from his gun or the saber of Colonel Johnson which laid the chieftain now; Thomas, who served in the War of 1812 and made his home in or near Detroit; and William.

Whitmore Knaggs was born in 1763, on the Maumee river and was educated by his mother, who was a woman of high intellectual attainments. He became a soldier near the close of the Revolutionary war and was selected as interpreter for General Anthony Wayne because of his familiarity with the Indian dialects. He was an accomplished linguist and was proficient in Latin and French, as well as English. He was appointed United States Indian agent in 1781, his commission being signed by President Washington, with the whole of the Western Reserve under his control, and he served in that capacity continuously, save for two years

when he was a prisoner of the British in Quebec, until his death in 1827. The headquarters of his agency was at Detroit and he was active in the discharge of the many duties devolving upon him prior to the outbreak of the War of 1812. In the fall of 1812 he was called to Washington, D. C., on official business and as he had to pass through British territory he was given a passport or parole by the British authorities. When he returned to his native locality of the Maumee, he found the country laid waste and no friend to greet him until he reached General Winchester's army farther up the river, at Monroe, Michigan. He was captured by the British and Indians, along with Winchester and his army, although not a part of the military command. He came near losing his life because of the fact that he was one of their paroled prisoners. His capture resulted in his being confined in a prison at Halifax for two years. When he was released in January, 1814, he resumed his duties as agent. In 1784, three years after his appointment as agent, he was granted a tract of land by the Ottawa Indians, by whom he had been adopted and whose stanch friend he was. This grant gave him title to almost four thousand American acres, fronting nearly one mile on the Maumee river at Miami and extending back into the interior a long distance. This land came to him a second time by a confirmation of the first grant by the head men of the Ottawa tribe in 1797. This tract of land is now covered largely by the suburbs of Toledo and the villages and communities along the river. A part of this land is owned by his granddaughter, Marie Antoinette Knaggs, whose name introduces this review. Whitmore Knaggs married a woman of French descent, Josette Labadie, a daughter of Pierre LeCompte and Theresa (Guillard) Labadie. Mrs. Knaggs' twin sister Margaret married Judge James May, one of the pioneer justices of Michigan. Mrs. Knaggs survived her distinguished husband many years, her demise occurring in Detroit in 1856. Mr. and Mrs. Knaggs were the parents of the following children: Whitmore; George, who became the father of Marie Antoinette Knaggs; John; James W.; and Elizabeth, who became Mrs. Charles DesNoyers of Detroit.

George Knaggs, the father of our subject, was born on the 4th of February, 1800, in Detroit, and received his education in his home under the tutelage of Dr. Horatio Conant, until he reached the age of sixteen years. He was later sent to the St. Thomas College at Bardstown, Kentucky, and was finally appointed to West Point. He resigned from the army school to assist his father in his agency work, becoming private secretary to his father. He spoke French fluently and, like his father, was familiar with the many Indian dialects. He was present and rendered valuable aid in making the treaties of Chicago, Vincennes and Saginaw. After leaving the Indian service he returned to Maumee and established a trading post at Rock Bar, where the terminal bridge is now. Some time later he disposed of that business and engaged in the real estate business, acquiring much valuable property in Toledo and the suburbs. He disposed of much of his valuable property in 1835 and engaged in banking in Maumee, establishing the Maumee Bank. He spent the remainder of his life along the banks of the Maumee river, on a part of his father's old Indian grant. His demise occurred in 1865. He was twice married. His first wife was Miss Matilda Lee, a daughter of Dr. Lee of Detroit and a descendant of the old Virginia Lees. Mr. Knaggs' second marriage was to Miss Laura Bosley, a daughter of John and Letitia (Hamer) Bosley, the latter a sister of General Thomas L. Hamer of the United States army. Mrs. Knaggs was born in Geneseo, New York, and her marriage to Mr. Knaggs was celebrated in 1849 at Sandusky, Ohio. Her demise occurred on the 14th of February, 1914. Marie Antoinette was the only child of that union. George Knaggs voted the whig ticket until the formation of

the republican party, when he espoused its cause. He was reared in the Catholic faith, but his Protestant marriages changed his religious front somewhat and he became a zealous worker in behalf of the Episcopal church. He was one of the founders of the Episcopal church in Mamuee. Prior to his death, however, he turned to his old church for spiritual consolation and asked for the priest.

Marie Antoinette Knaggs is the only heir of George Knaggs and is the only direct descendant of her illustrious ancestors still living upon the tract granted to the family by the head men of the Ottawa tribe. She was born in Perrysburg but has lived for many years on the estate and in the home of her parents. This old home was erected for her father by his father in 1825. It is a beautiful old colonial house and since removing it across the street from the original site Miss Knaggs has remodeled it somewhat. Its rooms are filled with the rich antique furniture of the olden times and everything pertaining to the service of the early days is preserved and valued by the owner. She has in her possession much old glass and silver service which has served refreshing liquors to many distinguished American military men, including General Cass, General Harrison, General James McPherson and many statesmen of the time. The French nobility also found hospitality in the Knaggs home when they came to America in search of the dauphin, the heir to the French throne, who was then preaching in Michigan. Miss Knaggs received her higher education in the Ursuline College in Toledo, after receiving her preliminary instruction under the tutelage of Judge David R. Austin, for many years probate judge of Lucas county. Upon the completion of her course at Ursuline, Miss Knaggs entered the business world and she has proven herself to be one of the most successful business women in this section of the state. Her executive ability, courage, stanch determination and keen foresight she inherited from her illustrious ancestors. After the death of her stepfather, Chauncy C. Keysor, she took over the supervision of the estate and she has since managed the farms and other interests, engaged in real estate dealing and devoted herself to the upbuilding of the community at large. She was a dominant factor in the building of the electric interurban line, securing the right of way for three miles through Maumee to the terminal at the bridge. For six years she has been a member of the Maumee board of education and has been treasurer of it during four years of that period.

Miss Knaggs is an independent in politics, believing it better that the party seek the candidate than the candidate seek the office. She is a generous contributor to all local charities and spends a great deal of her time in helping others to help themselves.

ERWIN R. EFFLER

Erwin R. Effler, attorney at law in Toledo, practicing as a member of the firm of Smith, Baker, Effler, Allen & Eastman, was born in this city December 15, 1884, and is a son of Jacob and Alice (Leibius) Effler. His early education was acquired in St. Mary's parochial school, after which he attended St. John's College at Toledo and received the Bachelor of Arts degree upon graduation with the class of 1905. He next attended Georgetown University at Washington, D. C., and received his Master of Arts degree from that institution in 1906. There he continued as a law student through the succeeding two years and completed his course in 1908, receiving the LL. B. degree. The same year he was ad-

mitted to practice at the Ohio bar and later was licensed to practice in the United States courts. He became associated in the active work of the profession with the firm of Smith & Baker of Toledo, in 1908, and in January, 1913, was admitted to a partnership under the firm style of Smith, Baker, Effler & Allen. He is also the secretary of St. John's University Law School of Toledo and instructor in several subjects.

On the 30th of April, 1913, Mr. Effler was married to Miss Fannie Pilliod of Toledo, and they have three children: James Erwin, Erwin Robert and Paul Louis. The religious faith of the family is that of the Catholic church, their membership being in the Cathedral parish. Mr. Effler is identified with the Knights of Columbus and he also belongs to the Toledo Club and the Inverness Club. He is likewise a member of the Chamber of Commerce and of the Toledo Bar Association. His interests and activities are thus broad and varied and he is a zealous supporter of any cause which he espouses. The major part of his time and attention, however, is given to his professional interests and duties and his devotion to the interests of his clients is proverbial.

ALBERT PHILLIP FALL

A large share of the commercial prosperity which Toledo today enjoys is attributable to the enterprise, initiative and civic loyalty of her native sons. To this class belongs Albert Phillip Fall, whose rapidly developing powers have placed him with the foremost business men of the city, and as vice president and general manager of The Welever Piston Ring Company he has built up a large productive industry which is an important factor in promoting the commercial growth of the city as well as a source of individual prosperity. Albert Phillip Fall was born in this city July 31, 1886, and his parents, Fred W. and Elizabeth Phillipine (Harman) Fall, are also natives of Toledo. The father is one of the successful agriculturists of Lucas county, owning and operating a well improved farm. Six children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Fall: Fred J.; Clarence; Rose, who married Herbert Wagner; Lucy; Laura; and Albert P., who is the eldest in the family. All are residents of Toledo.

Reared on his father's farm in Adams township, Lucas county, Ohio, Albert Phillip Fall attended the country schools during the winter months, while in the summer season he aided in the work of cultivating the fields. When fourteen years of age he became a student at the Davis Business College, attending evening classes, and he afterward completed a course in mechanics with the International Correspondence Schools of Scranton, Pennsylvania. He then entered the employ of the Toledo Bridge & Crane Company, starting as a car unloader and gradually working his way upward through industry and ability until he at length became general production manager for that company. For fifteen years he remained with that concern and while in their service he, with a fellow employe, C. E. Welever, began working on a piston ring for automobiles that would eliminate oil pumping and prevent the fouling of spark plugs. The result was the invention of the Welever Oil Control piston ring, which has since become a motor necessity, and to Mr. Fall is largely due the credit of perfecting this valuable device. It has proven highly successful and is regarded as the most efficient and economical appliance of its kind ever made, which is attested by the constantly

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increasing demand for it from both dealers and automobile owners throughout the country. The Welever Oil Control piston ring is constructed with a knife edge lip with a groove for gathering oil and outlet passages at the bottom of the ring to allow oil to pass through holes provided for in the back of the ring groove in the piston, which allows all excess oil to be forced back into the crank case, to be used over and over again, thereby reducing oil consumption from forty to fifty per cent in any motor. It is manufactured by The Welever Piston Ring Company, of which Mr. Fall is vice president and general manager. Their plant, located on Spielbusch avenue near Jackson street, is thoroughly modern in its equipment and a force of skilled mechanics is utilized in its operation. The company, in addition to the manufacture of piston rings, maintains a separate department in which it does cylinder grinding, crank shaft grinding and other general high-class machine work pertaining to the auto motor, employing experts for this work. They are likewise state distributors for and carry a complete stock of pistons, piston pins, piston rings, ring gears, valves and various other miscellaneous parts applying to the internal combustion motor. Mr. Fall gives his close personal attention to every detail of the business and displays marked enterprise and executive ability in control of the undertaking, which is rapidly assuming extensive proportions.

On the 22d of November, 1906, Mr. Fall was married to Miss Anna May Van Buren, a daughter of Stephen G. Van Buren, and they became the parents of two children: Emery Albert, who was born in Toledo in February, 1908, and is now an eighth grade pupil at the Adams Township school; and Ruth Anna, who was born in Toledo in July, 1910, and is also attending school.

Mr. Fall is a thirty-second degree Mason and Shriner and he is also connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is deeply interested in the welfare and progress of his community and during 1920 and 1921 was township trustee of Adams township, while through his identification with the Chamber of Commerce he is promoting the industrial expansion of the city. He is also a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, the Credit Men's Association, the Automobile Club and the National Exchange Club. His life has been one of intense activity and usefulness. He has been both the architect and builder of his fortunes and a prosperous and rapidly growing manufacturing enterprise stands as a monument to his initiative spirit and administrative ability.

LeROY EMERSON EASTMAN

While one of the younger members of the Toledo bar LeRoy Emerson Eastman has already attained a position that many an older representative of the profession might well envy and is now successfully practicing as a member of the firm of Smith, Baker, Effler, Allen & Eastman, one of the strong law combinations of the city. A native of Ohio, he was born in the city of Ottawa, June 23, 1888, and is a son of E. R. and Elizabeth E. (Parrett) Eastman, the former an attorney devoting his life to law practice. LeRoy E. Eastman was educated in the public schools of his native city and in Berea College at Berea, Kentucky, where he won his B. L. degree in 1908. For further study in preparation for his chosen profession he then entered the Yale Law School, which he attended until the close of the school year, in 1909, and in the fall of that year he entered the law

department of the Ohio State University, studying until the spring of 1910. He then joined his father in the active practice of his profession in Ottawa, the business relation between them existing until January, 1917, when LeRoy E. Eastman came to Toledo. Here in January, 1918, he joined the firm of Smith, Baker, Effler & Allen and in 1920 he was admitted to a partnership, his name being added to the firm style. He is a young man of pronounced ability, never failing to give that thorough preparation so necessary to success at the bar, while his arguments are strong, logical and convincing.

Mr. Eastman is a member of the Beta Theta Pi, also of the Phi Alpha Delta. He is a Knight Templar and Consistory Mason, having received the honorary thirty-third degree at Cleveland in September, 1922. He is loyal to the teachings and purposes of the craft and is also a prominent member of the Kiwanis Club, which elected him to the presidency in 1921. He likewise belongs to the Toledo and Inverness clubs, while the nature of his interests and activities is further indicated in his connection with the Young Men's Christian Association. He belongs to the Lucas County Bar Association and is chairman of its executive committee, and his membership also extends to the Ohio State Bar Association.

CHARLES H. BREYMAN

Charles H. Breyman, a native son of Toledo, is a successful dredging contractor, a line of business with which his father was for many years connected, and his work sustains the enterprising spirit that has long been synonymous with the family name in this city. He was born March 10, 1866, and his parents were George H. and Mary (Doty) Breyman, the former a native of Oswego, New York, and the latter of Lucas county, Ohio. During his childhood the father came to this state with his parents, who located at Toledo, and here he grew to manhood, becoming well known as a submarine diver, while later he organized the Breyman Dredging Company, marine contractors, of which he was the president. He built up a business of large proportions, remaining at its head until he met death in an automobile accident which occurred near Perrysburg, Ohio, in 1910, when he was sixty-eight years of age. The mother is still a resident of Toledo. They became the parents of three children: Arthur E., who is associated in business with the subject of this review; Mrs. Gertrude R. Anderson, of this city; and Charles H.

After completing his public school training Charles H. Breyman entered Columbian University, from which he was graduated in 1889 with the degree of Civil Engineer. He then engaged in business with his father, with whom he was associated for a year, when he received the appointment of assistant city engineer of Toledo and served in that capacity until 1897. He next had charge of the city sewer system and for ten years was retained in that connection, during which he aided in constructing the present system. In 1907 he became a member of the Breyman-O'Neil Contracting Company, with which he was connected until 1917, since which time he has been connected with G. H. Breyman & Brothers, and they are now numbered among the leading dredging contractors of the country. They have an expert knowledge of the business in which they are engaged and are prompt, reliable and efficient in the execution of contracts. Mr. Breyman

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of this review also has other business interests, being a director of the National Dairy Company.

On the 21st of April, 1892, Mr. Breyman was married to Miss May Stevens, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Stevens, prominent residents of Toledo, and they have become the parents of two children: Marie, a graduate of the National Park Seminary, is now the wife of R. J. Mills of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and they have a son, William; Charles Harold, who completed a law course in the University of Michigan, resides with his parents and is engaged in the real estate business as a member of the firm of Breyman & Colter. He is a veteran of the World war, joining the United States navy as a second class seaman, and was later commissioned an ensign in the aviation department. He was sent to the Boston Polytechnic Institute, in which he prepared for the blimp service, and after passing the examination he became an instructor at the Florida flying field. Afterward he was sent overseas and engaged in active duty in France in connection with the airplane and blimp service, which was considered the most hazardous branch of the service, but he escaped without injury.

Mr. Chas. H. Breyman is a well known clubman, being a member of the Inverness, Toledo, Toledo Country, Toledo Automobile and Toledo Yacht clubs, and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. Experience and study have broadened his knowledge and increased his ability and as the years have passed he has steadily progressed until he now ranks with the leading engineers of the city, which has greatly benefited through his activities. His residence is at No. 2229 Parkwood avenue.

FRITZ RUNDQUIST

Leaving his native land when a young man of twenty-three years in search of the opportunities for advancement presented in a new and rapidly developing country, Fritz Rundquist has steadily worked his way upward through industry, perseverance and ability until he is now controlling one of the important manufacturing enterprises of Toledo, being president and treasurer of The Toledo Acme Tool Company. A native of Sweden, he was born July 6, 1863, and his parents, Gustave and Emma (Acklin) Rundquist, were also born in that country. The father spent his life in the service of the Swedish government, being connected with railroad operations, and he is now deceased, but the mother survives and is still a resident of that country, having reached the age of seventy-nine years. To Mr. and Mrs. Rundquist were born three children: Anna, Signa Florian and Fritz.

Fritz Rundquist acquired his education in his native country, in which he continued to make his home until 1886, when he decided to seek his fortune in the United States, and after reaching New York city he worked in various places, finally locating in Cleveland, Ohio. For eighteen years he remained in that city, during which period he was in the employ of the Standard Sewing Machine Company, and in 1909 he came to Toledo, securing work as a machinist with the Kinsey Company. He continued in their service until 1916, when he organized The Toledo Acme Tool Company, of which he is now president and general manager ,and he has succeeded in building up a large patronage, utilizing from forty-five to fifty men in the operation of his plant. Being an expert mechanic, he

is well able to direct the labors of those in his employ, and is devoting every energy to the legitimate expansion of the business.

At Thomaston, Connecticut, on the 18th of May, 1886, Mr. Rundquist was united in marriage to Miss Emma Osterburg and they have become the parents of a son, Henry F., who was born in that city, June 27, 1888. He acquired his education at Cleveland, Ohio, and is now associated with his father in business. He married Miss Vanda La Due of Cleveland, and they have four children: Ardys, Violet, Roy and Carrol.

Mr. Rundquist, Sr., is non-partisan in his political views, placing the qualifications of a candidate above all other considerations. Along the path of opportunity open to all he has reached the goal of notable success and a prosperous manufacturing enterprise stands as a monument to his initiative spirit, his administrative ability and his power of sustained application. He holds membership in the Swedish Luthern church. He has ever directed his business by the rules which govern strict and unswerving integrity and Toledo numbers him among her self-made men and valued citizens. His home is at No. 214 Circular road.

MYER GELEERD

While widely known as a representative member of the Toledo bar, Myer Geleerd is also accounted one of the progressive residents of the city who are alert to every duty and obligation in matters of citizenship and who render their full meed of service in public connections, supporting those projects and plans which have their root in an earnest desire to advance the general good. Myer Geleerd is a native son of Toledo, born May 28, 1871. His parents, Lahman and Bluma (Staal) Geleerd, were natives of the beautiful city of Amsterdam, Holland, but during the latter half of the nineteenth century became residents of Ohio. Their son Myer pursued his education in the public schools of Toledo until he had completed the high school course and then, in preparation for a professional career, he entered the University of Michigan, where he spent the usual time as a law student and won his LL. B. degree in 1902, having completed a thorough and comprehensive course. He then returned to this city, where he entered upon general practice, in which he has continued, and the liberal clientage accorded him is proof of his capability and his devotion to the interests of those whom he represents.

There is also an interesting military chapter in his life history, for Mr. Geleerd was for a time captain of Company C of the Sixth Regiment of the Ohio National Guard. He was also a lieutenant of the First Division, First Battalion, Ohio Naval Brigade, for a considerable period and was captain of the Tenth Regiment, United States Volunteer Infantry, during the period of the Spanish-American war. He has never ceased to feel an interest in military affairs nor has his patriotic devotion abated one whit since leaving the army. During the World war he served on the legal advisory board of Lucas county and was a member of the examining committee for the Military Training Camps Association. He now has membership with the Spanish War Veterans.

On the 28th of November, 1905, Mr. Geleerd was united in marriage to Miss Miriam Brooks of Augusta, Georgia, and they became parents of one child, Brooks. Mr. Geleerd is identified with the Masonic fraternity and with the

Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the Lucas County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association and has always cooperated most heartily in the plans of these organizations to uphold the legal status of the commonwealth and promote the standards of law practice.

C. E. PRICE, M. D.

Dr. C. E. Price has established his position among the successful and representative members of Toledo's medical fraternity. He was born in White county, Indiana, September 28, 1877. His parents are Daniel Scott and Martha J. (Parrish) Price, who are also natives of the Hoosier state and have always resided within its borders. The father has devoted his life to agricultural pursuits and is the owner of one of the most productive farms in White county. He has reached the age of seventy years and the mother is sixty-five.

C. E. Price is one of a family of seven children and his early education was acquired in the district schools of White county. He afterward attended Valparaiso University, from which he received the B. S. degree in 1901, and in the same year that institution conferred upon him the degree of Bachelor of Pedagogy. He next became a student at the University of Indiana and was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1903 and received the Master's degree in 1904. He then entered the Western Reserve University at Cleveland, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1908, with the M. D. degree, and has since engaged in general practice. He has taken postgraduate work in the Massachusetts General Hospital at Boston. He is a member of the medical staff of Toledo Hospital and of Flower Hospital of Toledo.

On the 7th of September, 1909, Dr. Price wedded Miss Nellie Goodwin at Ithaca, Michigan. She died in Toledo in 1915. Two children were born of their union: Maurine, whose birth occurred in 1910; and Herbert Halford, who was born in 1912. On August 15, 1918, Dr. Price married Miss Ruth Kern, R. N. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Kern of Camden, Michigan.

Dr. Price is a Unitarian in religious faith and his civic loyalty finds expression in his identification with the Chamber of Commerce. Fraternally he is connected with the Knights of The Maccabees. He is also a member of the Toledo Automobile Club. His professional relations are with the Academy of Medicine of Toledo and Lucas county, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He was also a member of the Eighteenth District Medical Advisory Board during the World war.

JOHN P. MANTON

Toledo with its pulsing industrial activity has naturally afforded also a splendid field for various professional labors and it is in this connection that John P. Manton is known. For almost a quarter of a century he has been connected with the bar and in the general practice of law has gained a good clientage, connecting with much important litigation. His ability and force are equivalent to the zeal and earnestness with which he defends the interests of his clients and the

stability with which he upholds the high ideals of the profession to which property, right, life and liberty must look for protection. Mr. Manton is a native son of Toledo, born October 22, 1861, his parents being Thomas and Jane (Reilly) Manton. His education was acquired in St. Patrick's Academy of this city, in which he was a student from 1868 until 1875. It was some years later before he began preparation for the bar and in 1898 he was admitted to practice in the courts of this state. Two years later he was admitted to practice in the United States district court and since first licensed he has given his attention to the general practice of law. He has not specialized in a given field but has concentrated his efforts and attention upon every case of whatsoever nature entrusted to his care. He cites principle and precedent with accuracy and is seldom, if ever, at fault in the application of a legal principle. He served as assistant city solicitor of Toledo in 1900 and 1901 and was again called to that office in 1906, remaining the incumbent in the position until 1908. In the succeeding year he was elected judge of the common pleas court of Lucas county and continued upon the bench for more than a decade, or until 1920, his decisions being strictly fair and impartial and the proceedings of the court at all times orderly and systematic. Since his retirement from the bench he has given his attention to general law practice and his son, Thomas R., is now associated with him under the firm style of Manton & Manton. He belongs to the Lucas County and the Ohio State Bar associations.

On the 10th of May, 1885, Mr. Manton was married to Miss Matilda M. Goulden of Toledo and there was born to them a family of eight children, four boys and four girls, all of whom are living and seven of them are residing in Toledo. Fraternally Mr. Manton is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and also with the Knights of Columbus, while something of the nature of his recreation is indicated in the fact that he is a member of the Toledo Golf Club.

CHRISTOPHER PLATT WHITWHAM

Christopher Platt Whitwham was well known in the business circles of Toledo for many years and remained to the time of his death the president of the Dolphin White Lead & Color Company, which is now the Dolphin Paint & Varnish Company. He exemplified in his career all the elements of the progressive and thoroughly reliable merchant and the sterling worth of his character endeared him to those with whom he came into contact and made his death a matter of deep regret to all who knew him. He passed away in Toledo, February 8, 1921, when in the seventy-second year of his age, his birth having occurred at Monroe, Michigan, on the 20th of November, 1849. He was a son of Joseph and Mary J. (Phillips) Whitwham, the former a native of England, while the latter was born in Newfoundland, Canada. In 1847, at the age of sixteen years, Joseph Whitwham removed to Monroe, Michigan, and in 1850 came to Toledo, where he engaged in business as a marine engineer.

Christopher Platt Whitwham was reared in this city and attended the public and parochial schools, thus qualifying for the responsible duties of life. When his textbooks were put aside he entered the employ of the wholesale harness and saddlery house of Warner & Patrick and spent three years in the store. He

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then went on the road as a traveling salesman and for twenty years represented the house in that connection, proving a most adaptable, enterprising and progressive business man. In 1885 he organized the Paint & White Lead Company for the manufacture of paints and later the business became the Dolphin White Lead & Color Company with Mr. Whitwham as the president. He remained at the head of this concern to the time of his death and the success of the business was attributable in large measure to his sound judgment, his keen business sagacity and his ready discrimination between the essential and the non-essential in all business affairs.

On the 8th of November, 1876, Mr. Whitwham was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Ann Healey and their living children are: Joseph, Leo James, Marie, Gratian P., William, Irma and George. The father was a member of the Catholic church and also belonged to the Knights of Columbus, the Elks, the Chamber of Commerce and to the National Union. He made for himself a creditable place in business circles and at all times enjoyed the confidence, goodwill and friendship of those with whom he was brought into contact.

His son, Leo James Whitwham, who is now president and manager of the Dolphin Paint & Varnish Company, the name having been changed in the early part of 1922, was born in Toledo, September 14, 1878. He, too, attended the public and parochial schools of his native city and when his textbooks were put aside he became associated with his father in business, the connection between them continuing until the death of Christopher P. Whitwham, when his son, Leo James, succeeded him in the presidency of the company. The concern employs twenty people in the manufacture of paint and colors and the business has enjoyed a substantial growth.

On the 21st of June, 1912, Leo James Whitwham was married to Miss Louise Elizabeth Ricard of Toledo. Mr. Whitwham belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and is identified with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. His interests are broad and varied, yet his attention is in large measure concentrated upon the business under his direction, so that his close application and indefatigable energy are bringing to him substantial financial returns.

F. AUGUST HAGENMEISTER

Toledo has every reason to feel proud of its native sons, for no city has been more fortunate in this respect, and their loyalty, enterprise and constructive efforts have been most important factors in its development and upbuilding. To this class of men belongs F. August Hagenmeister, whose entire life, covering a period of forty-seven years, has been spent in this city, and through the steps of an orderly progression he has steadily advanced until he is now an executive officer of one of the largest firms of retail shoe dealers in the state. He was born August 8, 1875, of the union of August and Edith Hagenmeister, who are of European birth and emigrated to the United States in early life. The father arrived at Toledo in the late '50s. He became connected with the pottery business, with which he is still actively identified, although eighty years of age, and the mother is also living. They are the parents of two sons, Henry H. and F. August, both residents of this city.

F. August Hagenmeister completed his education in the Central high school of Toledo and his initial experience along business lines was gained in the employ of George Tanner, a well known shoe dealer of this city, with whom he remained for five years. He then entered the shoe store of J. C. Potter, in whose service he continued for six and a half years, and in 1908 he joined the H. M. & R. Shoe Company in the capacity of salesman. That his ability and faithful service were appreciated by his employers is indicated in the fact that he is now serving as vice president of the firm, having filled that office since 1919, and his progressive spirit and intelligently directed efforts have stimulated the development and expansion of the business, which is one of extensive proportions.

On the 21st of August, 1901, Mr. Hagenmeister was married to Miss Martha Jarchow, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joacham Jarchow of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Hagenmeister have become the parents of a son, Orval, who was born in 1904 and was graduated from the Scott high school of this city in 1921. Mr. Hagenmeister is a republican with independent tendencies and he is identified with the lodge, chapter, council and commandery in Masonry. He is an earnest member of the Chamber of Commerce and loyally supports all measures for the exploitation of the resources of his city and the extension of its trade relations. He stands high in business circles of Toledo and the success which he today enjoys has been won through honorable methods, the recognition and utilization of opportunity and close application to a business which he has made his life work.

WALTER BRIM BECK

Walter Brim Beck, one of the best known and most successful men in connection with the automobile trade in Toledo, is an authorized distributor for Ford and Lincoln cars. He was born in Bowling Green, Ohio, May 20, 1884, a son of Titus and Laura E. (Campbell) Beck, also natives of this state. For many years the father was numbered among the successful agriculturists of Wood county, Ohio, and he is now living retired at Bowling Green. The mother passed away in 1916.

Walter Brim Beck is the seventh in order of birth in a family of twelve children and he acquired his public school training in his native city, afterward becoming a student at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. On entering business life he secured a position as traveling salesman, acting in that capacity for four years, and in 1914 he became connected with the Ford Motor Company of Detroit, Michigan. For three years he was employed in the mechanical department and factory labor adjustment department. In 1917 he secured the Toledo agency for the Ford cars and tractors, organizing the Beck Motor Sales Company, of which he has since been the president. His salesrooms are located at Nos. 911 to 919 Cherry street, where is also maintained one of the most complete service stations to be found anywhere. Mr. Beck combines mechanical skill with executive ability. He keeps thoroughly informed regarding all new developments in connection with the automobile industry and through straightforward business methods has built up one of the most successful sales agencies in the city.

Mr. Beck was married at Cincinnati, Ohio, on the 20th of May, 1914, to Miss Caroline Haffner, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Haffner, prominent residents of that city. He is a Christian Scientist in religious faith and in politics he maintains an independent attitude at local elections, but when national issues are at

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stake he votes the republican ticket. His fraternal relations are with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Pythias and he is also a Knights Templar Mason, while in the Scottish Rite Consistory he has taken the thirty-second degree, and he is a Shriner. He is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, the Chamber of Commerce, the Inverness Golf Club, the Toledo Club and the Kiwanis Club. He was for some time a trustee of the last named organization and is now state chairman of inter-club relations. In business affairs he has made steady progress and the secret of his success lies in the fact that he has never been afraid of hard work and has at all times closely adhered to the rules which govern strict integrity. He has always been a zealous supporter of any measure conducive to the welfare of the city and his personal qualities are such as to create a circle of friends coextensive with his circle of acquaintances. Mr. Beck's residence is at No. 3202 Parkwood avenue.

J. M. FRICK, M. D.

Dr. J. M. Frick, a well known physician and surgeon of Toledo, has had broad experience along professional lines and the years have brought him success and prominence. He was born in Ottawa, Ohio, October 26, 1878, a son of David A. and Flora (Bowman) Frick, also natives of this state. The father was one of the leading merchants of Ottawa and engaged in the clothing business until called to his final rest on the 17th of April, 1911. The mother is still a resident of Ottawa. They were the parents of three children: Edward, who is living in Ottawa; George, who is conducting a retail clothing establishment in that town; and J. M.

J. M. Frick acquired his public school education in his active town and then entered Rush Medical College of Chicago, Illinois, from which he was graduated in 1902. The next year was spent as physician at the Lucas County Hospital and in 1903 he opened an office in Toledo, where he followed his profession until December, 1911, when he went abroad for further study, taking postgraduate work in proctology at London, England, and Vienna, Austria. At the end of a year he returned to his native land, and coming to Toledo, he opened offices at No. 237 Michigan street, remaining at that location until this country entered the World war, when he joined the Medical Corps of the United States army. He was commissioned a first lieutenant and while stationed at Camp Greenleaf he was ordered overseas, but the signing of the armistice prevented his embarkation. On Friday, December 13, 1918, he was discharged from the service and at once returned to this city, establishing his offices in the Nicholas building. He is a member of the medical staff of St. Vincent's Hospital. His studies have covered a broad field and his investigations have been most thorough, bringing him a comprehensive knowledge of the most advanced methods, theories and discoveries of the science of medicine.

Dr. Frick was married June 8, 1904, to Miss Louise Clements, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Clements, prominent residents of Evansville, Indiana, the former an ex-chief of the fire department of that city. Dr. and Mrs. Frick have a son, David C. Frick, whose birth occurred on the 8th of September, 1907, and who is now a pupil at the Scott high school. Dr. Frick is a member of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church of Toledo and his fraternal connections

are with the Masons and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the Tile Club and the American Legion and his professional relations are with the Toledo and Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical and American Proctological associations.

JOHN B. McMAHON

John B. McMahon, now engaged in the active practice of law in Toledo, giving undivided attention to his professional interests and duties, was born September 6, 1888, in Ellicottville, New York, his parents being James W. and Matilda (Torrence) McMahon. The father has for years been general manager of the Northwestern Ohio Natural Gas Company. John B. McMahon pursued his education in the Toledo public schools and in Notre Dame University of Indiana, in which he completed his literary course with the class of 1909. He then entered the Harvard Law School and received his LL. B. degree in 1912. Since 1912 he has been engaged in the general practice of law in Toledo and is now a member of the firm of Tyler, Northup, McMahon & Smith. Originally he was a member of the firm of Kohn, Northup & McMahon.

Mr. McMahon is a member of the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations and of the Toledo Club.

HARRY JULIUS VORTRIEDE

Harry Julius Vortriede, a member of one of the old and prominent families of Toledo, is numbered among the progressive and resourceful business men of the city and various lines of activity have felt the stimulus of his cooperation. He is president of the Auburndale Savings & Trust Company and president and general manager of The Roberts Printing Company, while he also has voice in the management of other business enterprises, several of which are important factors in promoting the industrial growth and prosperity of Toledo. He was born in this city on the 2d of September, 1884, a son of Charles A. and Louise (Baethig) Vortriede, the former a native of Louisville, Kentucky, and the latter of Buffalo, New York. In 1875 they established their home in Toledo and the father later engaged in the newspaper business. He filled many public offices of honor and trust, serving as United States consul to Switzerland, also was county auditor of Lucas county for several terms, and during his later years acted as assistant postmaster of Toledo. He was one of the foremost citizens of Toledo. His demise occurred in this city in 1909, while the mother passed away in 1886. In their family were two children: Henry J.; and Mrs. Helen Hanson, a resident of San Diego, California.

After completing his public school course Mr. Vortriede attended the Cincinnati (Ohio) Art Academy and the University preparatory school at Ithaca, New York, later entering Cornell University of that city, from which he was graduated in 1907. Returning to Toledo, he became connected with the Express Printing & Publishing Company, with which he remained until 1915, when he joined the Caslon Company as production manager. He continued to fill that position until 1918,

when he was made general manager, and served in that capacity until December 31, 1922, when he resigned to organize and take charge of the Roberts Printing Company, of which he is president and general manager. This company has one of the largest and best equipped printing plants in the state, specializing in the publication of catalogues and booklets.

Mr. Vortriede's initiative spirit has enabled him to formulate plans which have resulted in the enlargement and substantial growth of the undertaking and his services have been of no small value to the company. He has also extended his efforts in other directions, being one of the organizers of the Auburndale Savings & Trust Company and its first president, in which capacity he is still serving. The growth of this institution has been rapid and reflects great credit upon its management, whose policy has been one which carefully safeguards the interests of depositors and stockholders, as well as promotes the success of the institution. Mr. Vortriede also has other business interests, being a director in the Jeannin Electric Company of Toledo, the Charles Koch Coal & Lumber Company of Perrysburg, Ohio, and the Everett Lumber Company of North Baltimore, this state.

On the 24th of July, 1915, Mr. Vortriede was married to Miss Loretta Heinlein Withrow, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Withrow, the former of whom is well known in transportation circles of the city as superintendent of the Toledo Terminal Railroad Company. Mr. and Mrs. Vortriede have a son, Charles Henry, whose birth occurred August 3, 1916.

Mr. Vortriede is a member of the First Lutheran church of Toledo and his political support is given to the republican party. He is director of the Auburndale Chamber of Commerce and also of the Toledo Typothetae and is likewise a director of the Merchants & Manufacturers Association. Fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order, belonging to Fort Industry Lodge of Toledo, to St. Omer Commandery, and also to the consistory and Shrine, while his social nature finds expression in his membership with the Toledo Club, the Noontide Club, the Sylvania Golf Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. He is forceful, energetic and determined and gives his best efforts to everything that he undertakes. His work has been entirely of a constructive nature, contributing in marked measure to the upbuilding and advancement of his city, as well as to the attainment of individual prosperity, and his success represents the wise utilization of his time and talents, combined with a ready recognition of opportunities, of which he has been quick to take advantage. His residence is at No. 1459 Goodale avenue.

MORTON C. SEELEY

Morton C. Seeley, attorney at law of Toledo, was born in Amherst, Ohio, July 10, 1885, his parents being George L. and Luetta (Spitzer) Seeley, the father devoting his life to the banking business. He entered the University of Michigan and won his Bachelor of Arts degree upon graduation with the class of 1908. He afterward studied law at the University of Chicago and the degree of Doctor of Jurisprudence was there conferred upon him in 1910. Coming to Toledo, he entered upon law practice and has largely given his attention to corporation, banking and utility practice. In 1911 and 1912 he practiced as a member of the firm of Schaufelberger & Seeley and in 1913 became a partner in the firm of Miller, Miller, Brady & Seeley, an association that was continued until 1917. In

the latter year he became attorney for the Toledo Railway & Light Company and allied interests, known as Henry L. Doherty & Company interests. His professional connections have been of an important character and since the 1st day of February, 1922, he has given his attention to general practice, in addition to which he represents an extensive and important clientele before various state Public Utility Commissions and the Interstate Commerce Commission. His knowledge of the law is comprehensive and exact and his ability has been demonstrated in the able manner in which he has handled cases before the court or acted as an advisor in the management of corporation interests in his legal capacity. He is identified with the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar associations and through the proceedings of these bodies keeps in touch with the advanced thought and purposes of the profession.

On the 1st of June, 1918, Mr. Seeley was married to Miss Rachael Keller of Toledo and they have many friends in this city and are well known in social circles. He belongs to the Masonic fraternity and is a member of the Toledo Club, also the Carranor Hunt and Polo Club.

JOHN ANDREW SCHULTZ, JR.

John Andrew Schultz, Jr., vice president of the Toledo plant of the Doehler Die Casting Company and manager of the business at this point since the 15th of June, 1922, has worked his way upward through ability, close application and untiring diligence, his life record indicating what can be accomplished through individual effort when there is a will to dare and to do. Mr. Schultz was born in Newark, New Jersey, February 9, 1884, and is a son of John Andrew and Mary (Seidel) Schultz, the father being a hat finisher by trade, devoting many years of his life to the business.

Having completed the course in the public schools of his native city, John Andrew Schultz, Jr., also studied in technical schools of the east but in 1897 put aside educational activity in order to learn the lessons in the school of experience by providing for his own support. However, he later attended night schools of mechanical engineering and thus his training was thorough and comprehensive. He served an apprenticeship in machine shops and also at the millwright trade, being thus employed until 1902. He then entered the service of the Gilchrist Manufacturing Company of Newark, New Jersey, and during the four years of his association with that house worked his way upward to the position of foreman and master mechanic. From 1906 until 1912 he was superintendent and assistant manager of the New York Bottlers Supply Manufacturing Company at Hoboken, New Jersey, and in 1912 and 1913 was superintendent of die construction with the Doehler Die Casting Company in Brooklyn, New York. He afterward spent two years as vice president of the American Die Casting Company at Newark, New Jersey, at the end of which time the business was taken over by the Doehler Die Casting Company of New Jersey and Mr. Schultz was made vice president and general manager.

His business career was interrupted by his service in the World war. He became a first lieutenant in the Engineering Division of the Ordnance department as a die casting expert and was on duty for the government until November, 1918. He afterward came to Toledo as assistant manager at this place for the Doehler Die

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Casting Company and on the 1st of January, 1922, he was made manager, while on the 15th of June following he was promoted to the vice presidency in charge of the Toledo plant and is one of the directors and members of the executive committee of this corporation. The business is one of the large enterprises of this character in the country and the Toledo plant is constituting an important source of revenue, a very substantial business having been built up.

Mr. Schultz was married June 5, 1904, to Miss Mary Theresa Bleyhl of Newark, New Jersey, and they are parents of a daughter and a son: Mary Margaret and Charles Andrew. Mr. Schultz is particularly fond of motor boating and athletic sports and is a member of the Toledo Yacht Club, in which he is now fleet captain. He has membership with the Masonic fraternity and with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Society of Automotive Engineers and the Independent Order of Foresters, and loyally follows the teachings and purposes of these organizations. The sterling traits of his character are such as will bear the closest investigation and scrutiny. He has been found thoroughly reliable as well as progressive in business, dependable in citizenship, faithful in his friendship and judged by the consensus of opinion on the part of his fellowmen John Andrew Schultz is a representative and valued resident of his adopted city.

AUGUST C. HURRELBRINK

As treasurer of the Kelsey & Freeman Lumber Company, August C. Hurrelbrink occupies a prominent position in business circles of Toledo, which numbers him among its self-made men, for his advancement has been won through hard work and ability. He was born at Woodville, Ohio, March 8, 1874, of the marriage of John H. and Mary C. (Alf) Hurrelbrink, both of whom were of European birth and came to the United States in early life. They first settled in Sandusky county, Ohio, where the father engaged in farming, and subsequently they removed to Woodville, Ohio, spending their remaining years at that place. They were the parents of six children: William H., L. H., George, August C. and Mrs. H. F. Burman, all of whom are living in Toledo; and Mrs. A. Fark, a resident of Woodville.

August C. Hurrelbrink attended the public schools of his native town and later became a student at Woodville College. He next devoted a year to teaching and in September, 1894, entered the Steadman Business College of Toledo. He completed his course on the 1st of May, 1895, and on the same day secured a position as stenographer for the Kelsey & Freeman Lumber Company. For twenty-eight years he has been connected with the firm and as his experience and ability increased he was entrusted with greater responsibilities, at length becoming treasurer. He has grown up with the business, of which he has acquired a specialized knowledge which enables him to formulate many well devised plans for its further development and expansion, and his cooperation has been a most important factor in the success which is now attending the activities of the firm.

Mr. Hurrelbrink was married September 7, 1899, to Miss Elizabeth Clara Green, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Green of Fort Recovery, Ohio, and they have become the parents of a daughter, Lucille, who was born in 1904 and was graduated from the Waite high school in 1922. Mr. Hurrelbrink is a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church and his public spirit is denoted by his connection with the Chamber of Commerce. In thoroughness and the faithful performance of each

task assigned him lies the secret of the success which has brought him to his present office of responsibility and his example is one well worthy of emulation, showing what may be accomplished when courage, determination and enterprise lead the way.

WALTER JAMES YOUNG

Walter James Young, manager of the Toledo office of Henry L. Doherty & Company, investment security house, was born May 23, 1890, in the city which is still his home. He is a son of George Robert Young, who for many years engaged in merchandising but is now connected with the Toledo Edison Company. He married Matilda Ann Foley and their family included Walter James Young, who in the acquirement of his education has attended the public and high schools of Toledo and the Ohio State University, thus receiving thorough training which has well qualified him for life's practical and responsible duties. In 1912 he became associated with the Toledo Railways & Light Company, which was afterward reorganized under the name of the Toledo Edison Company. At a subsequent period Mr. Young became associated with Henry L. Doherty & Company, as manager of the Toledo office, of the securities department. He continued with the Doherty Company until July, 1917, when he enlisted for service in the World war. In September, 1918, he was detailed for special duty under Provost Marshal General Crowder and so continued to serve until December of that year. Following his discharge he returned to Toledo and again became identified with the Doherty interests at the Toledo office, so that he is now well known in financial circles of this city.

On the 11th of April, 1918, Mr. Young was married to Miss Janet Elizabeth Williams and they have one daughter, Joan Elizabeth, born May 16, 1921. Mr. Young is a member of the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club and Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity at Ohio State University. At all times he is appreciative of the social amenities of life, greatly enjoying companionship with his many friends. He is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce and is in thorough sympathy with the purposes of that organization to upbuild the city, to advance and extend its business relations and to uphold all those interests and activities which are the expression of civic virtue and of civic pride.

SOLON TREMBLEY KLOTZ

Solon Trembley Klotz, attorney at law of Toledo, in which city he was born April 5, 1864, is a son of John Calhoun and Sarah (Culp) Klotz. While spending his youthful days under the parental roof he pursued his education in the public schools, passing through consecutive grades to the high school, and afterward mastered a course in a business college of this city. Later he took up the study of law, which he pursued under private instruction, and in 1903 he was admitted to the bar. In the same year he entered upon general practice, in which he has continued. Along with those qualities indispensable to the lawyer—a keen, rapid, logical mind plus the business sense and a ready capacity for hard work—he brought to the starting point of his legal career certain rare gifts, eloquence of language and a strong personality.

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An excellent presence, an earnest, dignified manner, marked strength of character, a thorough grasp of the law and the ability accurately to apply its principles are factors in his effectiveness as an advocate.

Mr. Klotz was married in 1900 to Miss Florence Bruning of Toledo, Ohio, and they have one son, Robert Ensign. Politically and economically Mr. Klotz is a socialist. He belongs to the Masonic fraternity, in which he has attained the Knights Templar degree in the commandery, of which he is a past commander, and has also taken the Scottish Rite degrees, while with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine he has crossed the sands of the desert. His name is on the membership roll of the Knights of Pythias in Toledo and he belongs to the American Civil Liberties Union and to literary and musical societies, showing the extent and breadth of his interests and activities. He is zealous in behalf of those agencies which have value in the cultural development of the community, or which teach the higher ethics and responsibilities of life. Along the line of his profession he is connected with the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations and also the American Bar Association. For four years he was an instructor in the law department of Toledo University, which institution conferred upon him the degree of LL. B.

HARRY TIEDTKE

Harry Tiedtke has ever recognized the fact that advancement goes hand in hand with energy, determination and systematic effort and through the employment of these agencies he has reached the goal of his ambition, being now the owner of one of Toledo's large printing establishments and also of much valuable real estate in the city. He was born in Wood county, Ohio, November 12, 1870, and his parents were August and Justine Tiedtke. In early life they emigrated to the United States, settling in Wood county, Ohio, where the father improved and developed a farm, and he continued to engage in agricultural pursuits until called to his final rest. His sons, Charles and Ernest, are prominent in mercantile circles of Toledo, operating one of the largest grocery stores in this section of the country.

Harry Tiedtke completed his education in the Central high school of Toledo and afterward served an apprenticeship to the printer's trade, which he learned while in the service of B. F. Wade & Company. Through the exercise of industry and economy he accumulated sufficient capital to enable him to found a business of his own and is now the proprietor of a well equipped printing establishment, located at the corner of Jackson and Superior streets. His expert knowledge of the trade enables him to turn out work of the highest grade and to conduct his plant without loss of time, labor or material. He has built up a good business and also has made profitable investments in real estate, being the owner of valuable property in the down-town section of the city.

In 1904 Mr. Tiedtke married Miss Corabelle Wade, whose parents were Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Wade, the former of whom was engaged in the printing business in this city, but is now deceased. Mrs. Tiedtke passed away in October, 1917, leaving a daughter, Justine, who is a graduate of the Scott high school. Mr. Tiedtke is a member of Westminster Presbyterian church and takes an active and helpful part in its work, while his life is guided by its teachings. He is a director of the Toledo Sunday School Association, the Toledo City Mission and practically a lifelong member of the Y. M. C. A. He is a stalwart champion of everything pertaining

to the welfare and advancement of his city and his public spirit finds expression in his connection with the Chamber of Commerce. He has never feared to venture when a favorable opportunity was presented and in the fullness of time he has reaped the reward of intense application, unwavering courage, foresight and sound judgment. The strength that he manifests in business circles of the city has its root in upright, honorable manhood, winning for him the unqualified regard of those with whom he has been associated. His residence is at No. 2343 Maplewood avenue.

EVA HAZEL SHAPIRO, D. D. S.

Dr. Eva Hazel Shapiro was born in Toledo, in which city her parents, Joseph and Anna (Levey) Shapiro, natives of Russia, are residing. Her girlhood days were passed in the city of her nativity, where she pursued her education, passing through consecutive grades until graduated with honors from the high school. She determined to devote her life to a professional career and with this end in view entered the Western Reserve College at Cleveland, where she took up the study of dentistry, receiving her D. D. S. degree in 1918.

Returning to Toledo, Dr. Shapiro at once made plans to open an office. She was graduated in June and in the following October took offices at No. 315 Colton building, where she began the active work of the profession. In February, 1920, she was appointed to the position of school dentist and is now acceptably serving in that connection. Clinics are held in all the public schools and the teeth of the children are examined and cared for. This requires all of her time in the forenoon, while her afternoons are given to private practice, and already she has won a substantial measure of success in this way. She displays great gentleness and patience with children and is very successful in winning their confidence and in securing their cooperation, so that she fully meets their needs in a dental way. She is a member of the Toledo Dental Society, the Ohio State Dental Society, the American Dental Association and the Northern Ohio Dental Society and she is likewise a member of the Toledo Medical Women's Club. Her religious faith is orthodox Jewish and she is identified with the B'nai Jacob Congregation and the Council of Jewish Women. Politically she is not allied with any party but votes independently, supporting men and measures that she deems will further the best interests of city and state.

FREDERICK C. SCHAAL

Frederick C. Schaal, a member of the Toledo bar, with offices in the Nicholas building, has been engaged in active practice for a quarter of a century. He was born in Toledo, Ohio, on the 21st of June, 1874, and is a son of Melchoir J. and Veronica Schaal. His early education was acquired in St. Mary's parochial school and later he attended Canisius College of Buffalo, New York, from which he was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1894. He then entered upon the study of law under private instruction and after spending three years as a student in law offices in this city he was admitted to the bar in 1897. He at once entered upon general practice and remained alone in the work of the profession until 1906,

when he joined George N. Fell in establishing the firm of Fell & Schaal, which has since been in existence. They occupy an enviable position as successful lawyers and the court records bear testimony to the many favorable verdicts which Mr. Schaal and his associate have won in the trial of important cases before the courts that convene here.

On the 29th of June, 1899, Mr. Schaal was united in marriage to Miss Agnes Cecilia Neuhausel of Toledo, a daughter of George N. Neuhausel, who was a merchant of this city. Mrs. Schaal passed away May 16, 1906, leaving two children, James Eugene and Mary Louise. The religious faith of the family is that of the Catholic church, Mr. Schaal being a parishioner in the Gesu church. He also belongs to the Knights of Columbus and he has membership with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. Professionally he is identified with the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar associations. That he is appreciative of the social amenities of life is indicated by his membership in the Inverness Club and this also shows forth something concerning the line of his diversion and recreation, for he enjoys a game on the links when leisure permits, but he never allows anything to interfere with the faithful performance of his professional duties.

SAMUEL J. ECKENRODE

One of the representative business men of Maumee is Samuel J. Eckenrode, who has resided here since 1902. He is president, general manager and treasurer of the Maumee & Perrysburg Ice & Coal Company and since 1918 has been president of the State Savings Bank.

Samuel J. Eckenrode was born in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, on the 7th of October, 1868, a son of Joseph and Louise (Ryder) Eckenrode. His father was born in the Keystone state and spent his life there, engaging in agricultural pursuits. He was one of the successful and well known men of his day.

Samuel J. Eckenrode spent his boyhood and youth on the home farm. He received his early education in the country schools around Gettysburg and left the parental roof at the age of eighteen years. He took up the trade of cigar-maker at Two Taverns, Pennsylvania, and subsequently engaged as a cigar manufacturer at Oak Harbor, Ohio, in 1892. He was active in that line of business, achieving substantial success, until 1902, when he came to Maumee. On coming here he became identified with the hotel business, succeeding to the proprietorship of the American Hotel, which he conducted for seven years. The second year after taking up residence in Maumee he ventured into the ice business and later into the coal business. He is now president, general manager and treasurer of the Maumee & Perrysburg Ice & Coal Company, which he incorporated in 1917. In 1918 he made his initial step into financial circles, when he was elected president of the State Savings Bank of Maumee. He succeeded J. C. Cummings in that office and has filled it to the present time. The State Savings Bank came into existence in 1908, was chartered as a savings institution and has continued as such. The original capital was twelve thousand five hundred dollars and it was doubled in 1919. The officers of the concern are: Samuel J. Eckenrode, president; L. A. Breisach, Frank N. Glann and John A. Hileman, vice presidents; and the directors are the officers, with the addition of J. A. Bunde, L. J. Dennis and Dr. George Thonehouse. Mr. Eckenrode is a man of wide and varied interests and his success

is attributed in large measure to his keen foresight and genius for utilizing every opportunity that comes to hand. He organized a creamery in Jackson, Michigan, which in 1919 was incorporated for twenty-five thousand dollars. He is president and general manager of this concern, known as the Jersey Farm Dairy Company. It has an extensive patronage, sending its products throughout a radius of seventy-five miles.

In Maumee, on the 7th of January, 1892, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Eckenrode and Miss Elizabeth Cambric, a daughter of John and Dorothy (Martin) Cambric. Mrs. Eckenrode was born in Maumee. She is a woman of charming personality and is prominent in the club and social circles of her birthplace.

Upon attaining his majority Mr. Eckenrode became affiliated with the republican party and has been an active worker in party affairs. He has never desired public office, although he has served his home community as councilman, a position which was urged upon him. He attends many of the local and state conventions and was present at the national conventions when William McKinley, Colonel Roosevelt, Judge Taft, Mr. Hughes and Warren G. Harding were nominated for the presidency. The religious faith of Mr. and Mrs. Eckenrode is that of the Catholic church and they are zealous workers in its behalf. During the World war Mr. Eckenrode gave generously of his time and money in the furtherance of the government's interests. He was a leader in all drives and was a dominant factor in pushing his town over the top to win the prize offered by the Lucas county committee. Mr. Eckenrode is in every sense of the word a self-made man and he enjoys the confidence and esteem of all who know him. Honesty and integrity have governed him in all of his dealings and he well merits the position he has achieved among the leading and representative citizens of Maumee and the state.

CHARLES BIGGERS WILSON

The steps in the orderly progression of Charles Biggers Wilson are easily discernible and have brought him from the humble position of a machinist apprentice to official connection with some of the largest and most important corporation interests of Ohio, his particular activity being in connection with the motor car industry. The life story of such a man, with the record of successful achievement resulting from his overthrow of difficulties and obstacles and his steady advancement as the result of his perseverance and indefatigable energy, should serve as a source of inspiration and encouragement to others, showing what may be accomplished without special advantages at the outset of one's career.

Charles Biggers Wilson was born in Warren, Ohio, February 19, 1872, a son of James A. and Isabella Wilson, and the public school system of Akron, Ohio, accorded him his educational advantages. The trend of his nature was along mechanical lines and he early became a machinist apprentice. The development and growth of his powers have been constantly manifest in the steady advancement which he has made in the business world. He has been closely associated with automatic machine development in connection with the printing and match business and with experimental development in the horseless carriage and automobile industry. He was associated for a time with the Wilson Foundry & Machine Company at Pontiac, Michigan, and this constituted the practice ground on which he qualified for later and more extended responsibilities and efforts in the business world. He

eventually became associated with the Willys-Overland Company at Toledo, Ohio, and something of the scope and importance of his activities is shown in the fact that he is now vice president and general manager of the Willys-Overland Company, is the president of the Wilson Foundry & Machine Company, is the president of the Willys Morrow Company, vice president and general manager of the Willys-Overland, Incorporated, vice president of the John N. Willys Export Corporation and vice president of the Overland Motor Company. Thus he is active in control of some of the largest and most important productive industries and commercial interests not only of Toledo but of Ohio and the country. His name is likewise known in financial circles through his connection with the American Savings Bank of Pontiac, Michigan, and the Pontiac Commercial Savings Bank of the same city.

On the 2d of September, 1896, at Warren, Ohio, Mr. Wilson was united in marriage to Miss Lula C. Gairing, a daughter of Mrs. Mary Gairing. Their religious faith is that of the Presbyterian church. The military record of Mr. Wilson covers connection with the Curtiss Aeroplane Company of Buffalo, New York, as vice president in charge of operations in ten plants building aeroplanes for the United States and the allied governments during the World war. He is identified with many important trade organizations, belonging to the American Foundries Association, the Society of Automotive Engineers and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. His appreciation of the social amenities of life is indicated in his connection with various clubs and societies, including the Detroit Automobile Club, the Oakland County Club, the Toledo, the Rotary and the Inverness clubs, all of Toledo, the Old Colony Club, also of this city, the Bloomfield Hills Country Club of Birmingham, Michigan, and the Aviation Country Club of Oakland county, Michigan. He is a member of the Pontiac (Mich.) Chamber of Commerce and the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and he is keenly alive to all those interests which claim men's attention and activities—interests which make not only for business and material development but for social progress and municipal advancement. He has at all times recognized public duty and obligation as well as private, and has never failed to respond to a merited call for assistance where the public welfare is involved.

CHARLES A. SCHMETTAU

Charles A. Schmettau, who in the practice of his profession has largely specialized in corporation law and has held many important professional relations, is now a partner in the firm of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams, recognized as one of the foremost law firms of Ohio. Mr. Schmettau was born in London, England, January 26, 1868, and received his early education in the schools of that city, while later he continued his studies in Lausanne, Switzerland. He afterward returned to London for the study of law and was admitted as a solicitor on the 2d of June, 1893. Attracted by the opportunities of the new world, he crossed the Atlantic in 1894, locating in Toledo on the 1st of January, 1895. Soon afterward he was admitted to practice at the Ohio bar and from the beginning displayed marked ability in the work of his chosen profession. In 1896 he was made assistant general solicitor of the Toledo, St. Louis & Western Railroad Company of which he later became general solicitor. He is a director of the Libbey-Owens Sheet Glass Company and vice president of the Owens European Bottle-Machine Company

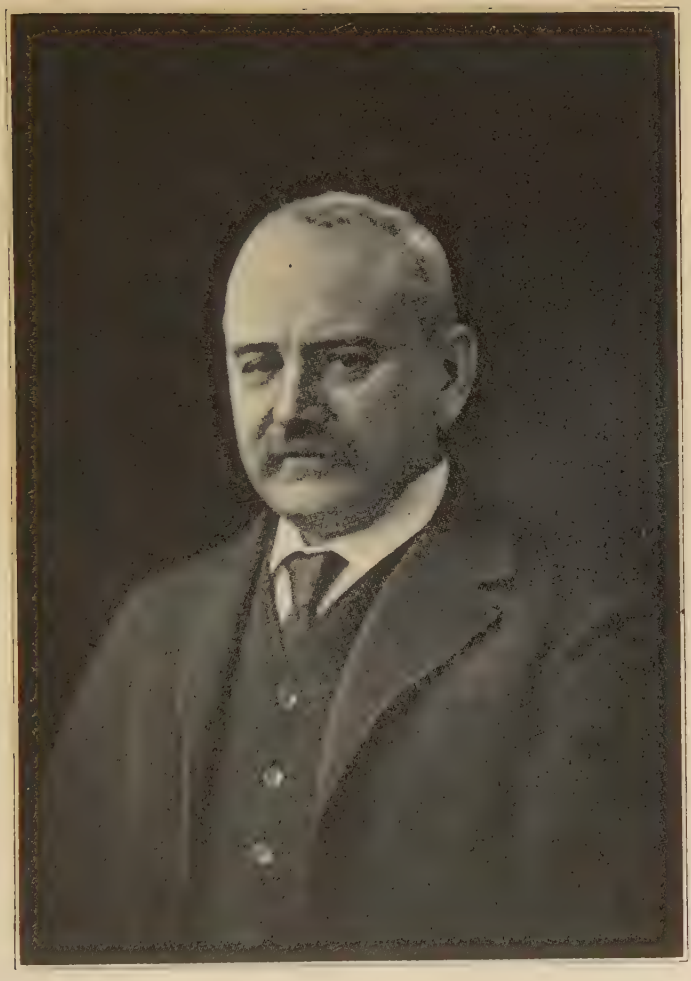
and spends most of his time in Belgium, where the former company has extensive interests.

In 1896 Mr. Schmettau was united in marriage to Miss Ethel Everhard of Massillon, Ohio. He belongs to the Toledo Club and to the Country Club and is a member and secretary of the Toledo Museum of Art. He also has membership in Trinity Episcopal church and his aid and influence are ever on the side of those agencies and forces which make for the uplift of the individual and the benefit of the community at large.

WILLIAM E. CRATZ

In the business world William E. Cratz was known as a most successful seedsman and won a place among the representative merchants of Toledo, conducting his interests along successful lines leading to the constant expansion of his trade. Outside of business circles he was also well known by reason of his patriotic devotion to the welfare of his city and state and his open-handed generosity, which made ready response to any call of need. Mr. Cratz was born in Shanesville, Ohio, April 6, 1854, the son of Jacob and Drucilla (Ream) Cratz. Jacob Cratz was born in Germany in 1824 and was a youth when he came to the United States. He embarked in the mercantile business at Shanesville in 1840 and continued there for a period of fifty years, or until 1890. His business was one of extensive proportions for the time and place, drawing a patronage from a wide section in that part of the state. Drucilla Ream, his wife and the mother of William E. Cratz of this review, was a daughter of Benjamin Ream, a pioneer merchant of Tuscarawas county, Ohio, and prominent in the early history of that county. He served as representative in the Ohio legislature and also did considerable local surveying. Benjamin Ream's ancestors came to America previous to 1709 and settled at what later became Reamstown, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, from which locality later generations migrated westward to Ohio. Mrs. Jacob Cratz was also a representative of a family distinguished in the church history of the country and was the last surviving grandchild of the Rev. Henry and Anna Marie (Ream) Geisey, the former a native of Saxony, who arrived in the new world in 1776 and assisted in founding the German Reformed church. He located first at Staunton, Virginia, and in 1792 went to Somerset county, Pennsylvania.

As a pupil in the public schools of his native town William E. Cratz pursued his studies until he had mastered the common branches of learning and later he attended a commercial school in Philadelphia. He afterward became associated with his father and brother Henry in business, under the firm style of J. Cratz & Sons and the association was maintained until 1885, when the partnership was dissolved and William E. Cratz came to Toledo. Here he formed a partnership with Charles Stager, under the firm name of Cratz & Stager, and they developed an extensive business as seedsmen, with warehouse at No. 40 South Erie street. In 1888 this partnership was dissolved and the firm of Cratz Brothers, seed merchants, was then formed with Henry and William E. Cratz as partners, their place of business being situated at Nos. 118 and 120 Ontario street, where they conducted their enterprise together until the death of Henry Cratz in 1905. The firm handled annually upwards of one hundred thousand bushels of clover seed and one hundred and fifty cars of timothy seed and their trade grew constantly. Both were well known business men in Toledo and their accurate commercial methods placed



WILLIAM E. CRATZ

them in the front rank of Toledo's solid and reliable merchants. They solicited through correspondence and sent samples of seed on application and through progressive, modern business methods built up a large local and export trade. In 1915 William Cratz, then head and sole owner of the business, erected a warehouse at Nos. 622-24 Southard avenue and he was instrumental altogether in building three different seed warehouses in the city and in greatly promoting trade of this character in Toledo, thus contributing to the commercial progress and advancement of the community. He likewise became vice president and director of the Machine & Tool Company of Toledo and was regarded as an enterprising business man, farsighted, sagacious and progressive.

At Shanesville, Ohio, on the 18th of August, 1878, Mr. Cratz was united in marriage to Miss Lydia A. Wyss, a daughter of Peter and Barbara (Horrisberger) Wyss, the former proprietor of a cooperage establishment at Shanesville. Mr. and Mrs. Cratz became the parents of two children: Benjamin A., who married Emma M. Schuh and is an artist of Toledo; and Hazel E., who is the wife of Dr. Norris W. Gillette, a physician and surgeon of Toledo.

The family circle was broken by the hand of death when on the 21st of July, 1917, William E. Cratz passed away. He was a devoted member of the First Congregational church, in which he served as trustee for many years and previously was for an extended period teacher of the Men's Bible class in the Marion Lawrance Sunday school of the Washington Congregational church. In politics he was an independent but neither sought nor held public office. Fraternally he was a veteran Mason of high rank, belonging to Sanford L. Collins Lodge, F. & A. M.; Toledo Commandery No. 7, K. T.; the Grotto; and to the Scottish Rite body and the Mystic Shrine. He was also one of the oldest members of the Produce Exchange, being identified therewith for thirty-two years, or from the 4th of August, 1885, until his demise. Patriotism was one of his outstanding characteristics, as he always manifested a great love for his country and its flag. He was generous, unselfish, open-handed and open-minded and all who knew him prized his friendship because of his sterling worth of character. The family residence at No. 2150 Parkwood avenue was erected by Mr. Cratz in 1897.

WILLIAM A. HOWELL

William A. Howell, secretary, treasurer and manager of the Collingwood Brick Company of Toledo, has reversed the usual order of progression, having come from the west to the east, bringing with him that spirit of western enterprise and progress which has been a dominant factor in the upbuilding of the great section beyond the Mississippi. He has found such qualities equally effective in coping with the opportunities of business life on this side of the "Father of Waters" and his commendable course has enabled him to advance steadily toward the goal of success. Mr. Howell was born in Atchison, Kansas, February 29, 1864, and is a son of Daniel and Mary (Roland) Howell. The father was a native of Wales and came to the new world in early life. He took up civil engineering and was a rodman on the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad, while subsequently he became chief engineer of construction with the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad Company. He next held the responsible position of chief engineer of the Union Pacific Railway and in his later years he was construction engineer for a large bridge com-

pany. The positions which he held were at all times of an important character and gave evidence of his high standing and capability along the line of his chosen life work. He died in Toledo, where his widow still makes her home. She was born in New Albany, Indiana, and by her marriage she became the mother of a daughter and a son; Mrs. Cashin M. Foster of Toledo; and William A.

In his boyhood days William A. Howell attended the public schools of his native city and when a lad in his teens was brought to Toledo, where he continued his education in the Central high school. Here he joined the engineering staff of the Cloverleaf Railway Company, with headquarters at Toledo, and after a time he became associated with the Toledo A. & B. Railway on construction work. He was next with the Barber & Starr Contracting Company for several years and then in connection with other representative business men of the city he organized the Collingwood Brick Company, to the growth and development of which he has since given all of his time and energy. As the result of his labors, combined with the efforts of his partners in the undertaking, he has developed one of the large industries of the city and is the secretary, treasurer and manager.

On the 18th of November, 1890, Mr. Howell was married to Miss Helen Augusta Acklin of Toledo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Acklin, well known and prominent in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Howell have four children: Spencer A., born in Toledo, pursued his advanced education at Dartmouth College; Arthur Llewellyn was also a student at Dartmouth and is now a resident of California; Helen was educated in the Smead School for Girls in Toledo and in the Mount Vernon Seminary and is now the wife of Mr. H. Greenhill of Toledo; Virginia, the youngest, is attending the Smead School for Girls.

Mr. Howell belongs to the Masonic fraternity, has taken the consistory degrees and has charge of the music in the Scottish Rite bodies. He belongs to the Toledo Club and much of the nature of his recreation is indicated in the fact that he has membership in the Sylvania Golf Club. He is identified with the First Congregational church as one of its earnest and helpful members and for the past fourteen years has been leader of the choir. Gifted by nature with musical talent, his power in this direction has enabled him to add much to enjoyment in social and church gatherings. Alert and energetic, he has advanced step by step in his business career, his course at all times winning for him the commendation and respect of those with whom he has been associated, and his present position is a most creditable one, bringing to him a rich and merited remuneration.

JOHN MILTON KILLITS

John Milton Killits, the editor of this work, was born in Lithopolis, Fairfield county, Ohio, October 7, 1858, of Danish and German ancestry. His preparatory education was obtained in the public schools of Bryan, Williams county, Ohio, and at Oberlin College. After a four years' classical course Williams College gave him the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1880, and in 1887 that of Master of Arts, honorary.

After graduation and until June, 1883, he was editor and publisher of the Red Oak (Iowa) Daily and Weekly Express. In March, 1884, he became editor of Signal Bureau publications in Washington, and later, in addition, private secretary

to the chief signal officer, Brigadier General W. B. Hazen, resigning these positions in the fall of 1887.

In 1885 Judge Killits was graduated from the Law School of Columbian (now George Washington) University with the degree of LL. B., and, after a post-graduate course in 1886, that of LL. M. In 1914 his college (Williams) conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

Admitted to the bars of the District of Columbia and of Ohio in 1887, the Judge entered upon the practice of law in February, 1888, at Bryan, Ohio, continuing therein for seventeen years. He served one term as member of the village council and was twice prosecuting attorney of Williams county, serving from January, 1893, to January, 1899. In 1904 he was elected as judge of the court of common pleas for the third judicial district of Ohio in the third subdivision, consisting of Defiance, Fulton, Paulding, Van Wert and Williams counties. He occupied that position from February 9, 1905, to June 28, 1910, resigning, after nomination for reelection, to assume the federal judgeship which he now holds and to which he had been appointed by President Taft, by consent of the senate, June 24, 1910.

In September, 1910, Judge Killits removed with his family to Toledo. In 1913 he was elected a member of the charter commission of Toledo. In 1908, 1912, 1916 and 1920 he was a member of the quadrennial General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, and, for the last three conferences has been a member of the judiciary committee. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, and a member of Toledo, Inverness and Rotary clubs, of Toledo, and of the Nisi Prius Club of Cleveland.

In 1887, in Washington, Judge Killits was married to Miss Alice Nourse Steuart. There are two children, Alice, wife of Harry W. Gardner of Bryan; and Edith, wife of Dr. Howard L. Smallman of Barberton, Ohio.

JAMES SECOR

The name of Secor is inseparably associated with the history of Toledo and has ever been a synonym for progress and advancement along all those lines which contribute toward higher ideals in citizenship and in public service as well as to the attainment of success in personal affairs. James Secor was one of the most prominent figures in the business life of Toledo, and his son, Jay K. Secor, became his worthy successor. The former was born December 11, 1834, in the town of Goshen, Orange county, New York, and was in the sixty-seventh year of his age when he passed away in Toledo, November 9, 1901. He was a son of Benjamin and Sarah (Ketcham) Secor and in the paternal line came of French ancestry, representatives of the name being among the Huguenots who because of religious persecution fled from France and sought the liberty of the new world, settling near New Rochelle, New York. Through the maternal line James Secor was a representative of an old New England family. His father, Benjamin Secor, followed agricultural pursuits and in 1844 left the highlands of the Hudson river to establish his home in Lenawee county, Michigan.

James Secor, then a lad of ten years, was reared on the homestead farm in Michigan, attending the pioneer schools of that period and assisting his father in the development of the land to the age of twenty years, when, thinking to find better and broader business opportunities in the city, he left the parental roof and

made his way to Toledo, where his elder brother, Joseph K. Secor, had been successfully engaged in business for several years as senior partner in the firm of Secor, Berdan & Company, conducting a wholesale grocery house, the business having been originally established in 1836 by a maternal relative, Valentine H. Ketcham, who in 1854 retired from active business, being succeeded by Mr. Berdan, while the new firm assumed the style of Secor, Berdan & Company, with George Secor, a former employe, as one of the partners. In 1856 George Secor withdrew, the business being carried on by Joseph K. Secor and Mr. Berdan, without change in the firm name. In 1854 James Secor entered their employ as a clerk, ambitious to win for himself a creditable place in commercial circles. He therefore thoroughly applied himself to the tasks assigned him and had so developed his powers that in 1858 he was admitted to a partnership and became general manager of the business. At the same time Maro Wheeler and John B. Ketcham, former salesmen, became members of the firm. James Secor proved thoroughly adequate to the new duties and responsibilities that devolved upon him in directing the growth and controlling the trade of the house, which under his guidance remained for many years one of the foremost wholesale grocery establishments in this part of the country. He continued as directing head for thirty years, retiring in 1888.

With Mr. Secor's withdrawal from the wholesale grocery trade, he turned his attention to banking and was one of the organizers of the Union Savings Bank and the Union Safe Deposit & Trust Company, becoming president of both institutions. He also aided in incorporating the Merchants & Clerks Savings Bank, with which he was connected for several years, and his was the first signature placed upon the charter of the Security Trust Company, of which he became chairman of the trust committee, requesting, however, that his son, Jay K. Secor, be elected director in his stead. He also incorporated the Woolson Spice Company, one of the largest manufacturing concerns of the kind in the country, and remained president thereof until his demise. He was one of the incorporators and a director of the Maumee Rolling Mills Company, which subsequently was purchased by the Republic Iron and Steel Company, and many other Toledo institutions, both commercial and financial, claimed his cooperation and support and regarded his judgment as one of their most valuable assets. He was the vice president and one of the directors of the Northern National Bank in addition to the banking houses already cited in which he served as an officer. In all of his business career he was constantly looking to the future with regard to the upbuilding of the city rather than the improvement of his own fortunes. His entire life was a valuable element in the steady progress of Toledo and there was never a man more ready to respond to a call for public service than James Secor, if it did not bring him into the realm of politics. He had no ambition in that direction. Several times he declined nominations to important positions, yet he gave hearty and earnest support to the republican party because of his firm belief in its principles.

In social circles Mr. Secor was widely and prominently known. He belonged to the Toledo Club, the Country Club and the Middle Bass Club and through these organizations he largely found his recreation. He also had membership in the First Congregational church, in which he was an active worker, serving for a number of years on its official board. He possessed a most charitable and kindly nature and his benevolences were many, but in his giving he followed the mandate not to let the left hand know what the right hand doeth. He was entirely free from ostentation and display, but the memory of his good deeds is cherished by many who knew him.

In January, 1867, James Secor was united in marriage to Miss Charlotte A. Steele, a daughter of the Hon. Dennison Steele of Toledo, and they became the parents of four children, all of whom have passed away, the last surviving member of the family being Jay K. Secor, whose death occurred on the 21st of February, 1921. For more than three-fourths of a century, however, the name of Secor has figured prominently in connection with the annals of Toledo and has ever been synonymous with that which is highest and best in citizenship, as well as in private life.

EDWARD E. PHILLIPS

A native son of Lucas county and a substantial business man of Maumee is Edward E. Phillips, who was born near the site of his present home on the 24th of January, 1861. His parents, William P. and Nancy (Jarvis) Phillips came into this locality when young and were married here. Mrs. Phillips' father brought his family from Pennsylvania to this region of Ohio at an early date. Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis died when their children were still small and the children were placed in the homes of neighbors who cared for them until they could go out into the world on their own account. Mrs. Phillips was taken into the home of John Taylor, an extensive landowner of Monclova township, this county. William P. Phillips came to Ohio from Rhode Island when a boy, in company with his parents, who died almost on the spot where their grandson, Edward, now lives at Maumee. They were the parents of quite a family, numbering several sons and two daughters, William P. being the youngest member of the family. In the acquirement of his education William P. Phillips attended the country schools in the vicinity of the home farm and when the Civil war broke out he put all personal interests aside and enlisted in Company C, of the Fourteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He served in the ranks as a private under General Steedman and remained in service until the close of the war. He lost four fingers of his left hand by the accidental discharge of his gun, but he continued at his post as a soldier. He participated in the Battle of Mill Spring, Kentucky, Shiloh, Corinth and many others. At the close of the war Mr. Phillips engaged in carpenter and contract work and he achieved substantial success in that connection. Although a public-spirited citizen and a stanch republican he never sought nor desired public preferment. His demise on the 19th of March, 1896, came as a severe shock to his family and many friends, for he was held in high confidence and esteem by all who knew him. Mrs. Phillips died in 1869. To their union five children were born, Edward E. being the second in order of birth. He has one sister and one brother living: Ada, who is the wife of William Moser of Lucas county; and William, who is a resident of Wood county.

Edward E. Phillips grew to manhood within a mile of his birthplace, in the community in which he has always resided. He attended the common schoools of the county, and when but seventeen years of age apprenticed himself to his father's trade. He worked with his father until his demise and since that time has engaged in contracting on his own account. His first job was for George Miller, when he razed the Miller home and erected a new one on the site. Under the tutorage of his father he became thoroughly familiar with every phase of the business and success came to him at the start. Among the many houses he has built are, the home of E. G. Evans of the Western Shoe Company, which was for many years one of the most beautiful along the River road; the homes of Miloa Turner, Thomas

Parkhurst, John Koch, Dr. Babber, W. S. Graves, Frank Rudzinski, John Meister, John Weeks of Maumee, William Farnsworth of Waterville, the Mary Campbell home there, and the conspicuous log summer home of W. S. Walbridge in Perrysburg. He also erected the Miami public school, added an important addition to the Waterville school, and has constructed many minor school buildings in this locality. In addition to his contract work Mr. Phillips is a real estate dealer on a modest scale. The best principles of honesty and integrity have governed him in all transactions and his keen foresight and close application to the thing at hand have been dominant factors in his success.

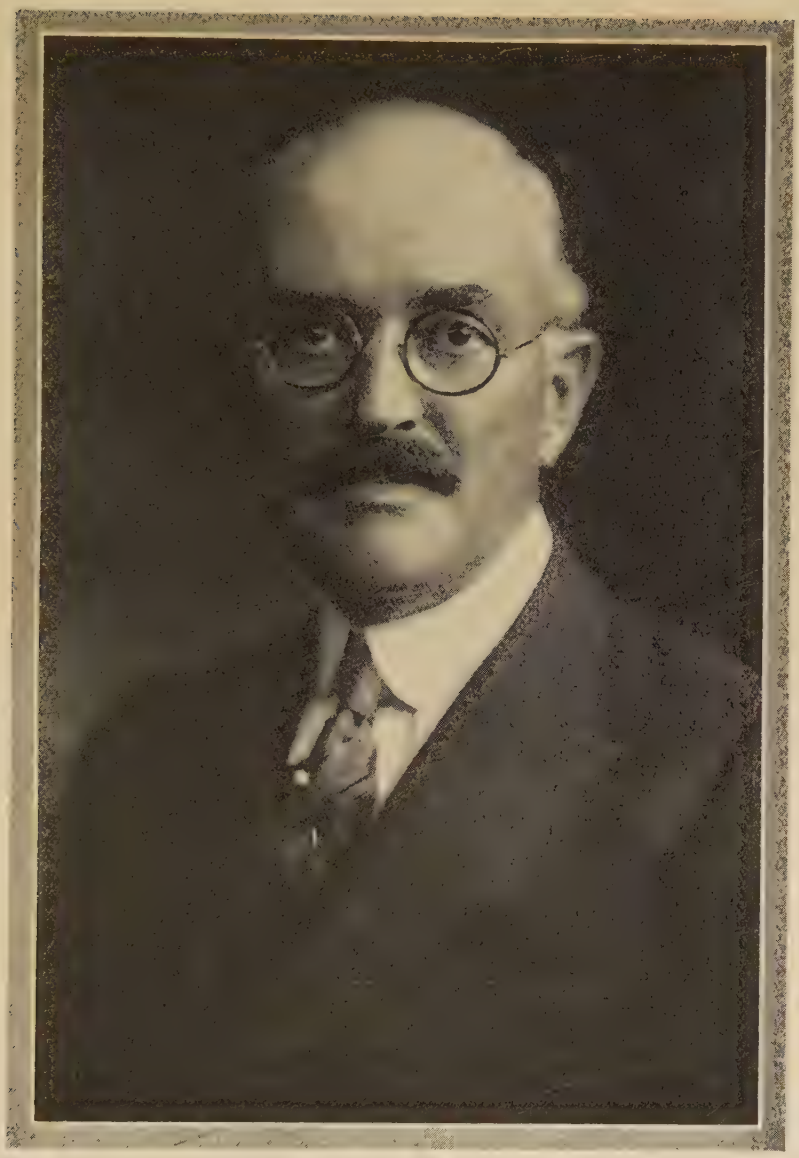
On the 20th of December, 1883, in Maumee, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Phillips and Miss Margaret Geneva Evans, a daughter of Frank Evans and Eliza (Steel) Evans. Mr. Evans came from Pennsylvania, and was married in Lucas county, Ohio. He engaged in the mercantile business for the greater part of his life and was a highly esteemed and respected citizen of the community in which he resided. He was a stanch supporter of the democratic party but was never active in public life. His demise occurred in 1881, in his fifty-ninth year and his widow passed away in 1885, at the age of sixty-three years. Three of their children are living: Belle, who is the wife of Frank B. Howard of Berkeley, California; Ellen, who married Hamilton Cook of Bowling Green, Ohio; and Margaret, who is the wife of Edward Phillips. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips are parents of the following children: Ralph, who is assistant superintendent of the power house at Maumee, married Miss Nellie Huntsman and they have a son, Merlin; Jewell died while superintendent of the Maumee power house. He was one of the popular young men of this community and his death was deeply regretted. He had married Miss Nettie Topliff, and they had two sons, Wallace and Lyle; Estella is the wife of Orville Whitney of Maumee and the mother of one son, Don; Hal, the youngest member of the family, has recently become of age and is living at home with his parents. He is identified with mechanical work in connection with his father's business.

Since attaining his majority Mr. Phillips has been a republican and his first presidential ballot was cast for James G. Blaine in 1884. He served as councilman of Maumee for six terms or more and was a member of the board of councilmen at the time of the granting of the franchise to the Maumee Valley and Bowling Green Interurban companies, and the first pavement of the village was laid during his term of service. He retired at the close of the year 1920. He has always been public-spirited and during the administration of Mayor John A. Smith was a member of the committee on public affairs that arranged for and supervised the building of the waterworks and of the public hall of the village.

ALBRO BLODGETT

Albro Blodgett, president of the Blodgett-Beckley Company, is recognized as one of the leading commercial figures in Toledo. As chief executive officer of this institution he is conducting one of the largest and best known concerns specializing in teas and coffees in the middle west. Its Royal Garden Tea, Old Master Coffee and San Marto Coffee are household bywords and commodities.

Albro Blodgett was born in Claremont, New Hampshire, November 18, 1864,



ALBRO BLODGETT

the son of Esther and Henry Blodgett, and one of six children. He attended the public schools and Dartmouth College for several years.

In 1883 Mr. Blodgett came to Toledo, Ohio, where he entered the office of J. B. Keyes, a merchant broker, whom he succeeded in business, conducting it under his own name for a period of ten years. For the ensuing thirteen years Mr. Blodgett was a partner in the firm of Blodgett & Hassett. He sold out his interests, however, to assume control of The Bour Company, and for the next decade, or until the name was changed to The Blodgett-Beckley Company, he made it one of the leading firms of its kind in the state.

Mr. Blodgett is president of The Blodgett-Beckley Company; Mr. Sewell W. Beckley is first vice president; and Mr. Henry P. Blodgett, son of Mr. Albro Blodgett, is secretary-treasurer.

On June 21, 1893, Mr. Albro Blodgett married Miss Elizabeth Parsons Doolittle, the daughter of General C. C. Doolittle. Their marriage was blessed with three children, but only Henry P. survives. He was born February 20, 1896, and he married Miss Jane Heisey Mudge, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Mudge, of St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 3, 1920.

Mr. Albro Blodgett is well known in club as well as business circles, being a member of the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club, the Riding Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is also a life member of the Art Museum.

EDWARD J. LINDOW

Edward J. Lindow, a typical citizen of Toledo, alert, energetic and enterprising, is engaged in the manufacture of furniture and for more than a quarter of a century members of the family have operated a business of this character in the city. He was born in Detroit, Michigan, August 15, 1877, and is a son of William and Elizabeth (Kittinger) Lindow, the latter also a native of that city, in which she was reared, educated and married. The father was born in central Europe and came to the United States with his parents, who located at Detroit. In the public schools of that city he obtained his education and afterward learned the cabinet-maker's trade. In 1876 he came to Toledo and entered the employ of the Connant Brothers Furniture Company, receiving a wage of a dollar and seventy-five cents per day, which was considered a very liberal compensation in those days. He remained with the concern for many years and was gradually advanced to positions of greater importance until he at length became superintendent of the plant. In 1896 he decided to embark in business on his own account and opened a small furniture factory on Huron street, conducting his manufacturing operations in the basement, while his stock was displayed on the ground floor of the building. His associates in the undertaking were Charles Shumaker and Charles Crook and in 1904 they decided to incorporate their interests, removing at that time to No. 220 Superior street. These two partners later withdrew from the business, selling their interests to Messrs. Liebus and Gershon, and the enterprise was successfully continued until 1912, when a disastrous fire wiped out all of the assets of the company, which had been carrying a very small insurance. Undismayed by this loss Mr. Lindow at once set about the task of rebuilding the business and about this time admitted his son, Edward J., to a partnership, the present firm style of the Lindow-Liebus

Company being then adopted. Removal was made to Albion street and they had just managed to regain their former status when their establishment was visited by vandals, who burglarized the place and then set fire to it. This would have been regarded as an overwhelming catastrophe by the average individual but with indomitable spirit Mr. Lindow and his son immediately began the work of recuperation and well merited success is rewarding their persevering efforts. Mrs. Lindow passed away in Toledo, January 11, 1913, leaving three children: William E., a resident of Buffalo, New York; Fred W., special agent at Toledo for the Union Central Life Insurance Company; and Edward J.

Edward J. Lindow attended the public schools of this city and after completing his education he joined his father in business and they have since been associated in the conduct of the Lindow-Liebus Company. They have forty employes and the energy, keen sagacity and well devised plans of the subject of this review have materially promoted the success of the firm. They are designers and manufacturers of high grade furniture and their name has long stood as a synonym for integrity, enterprise and reliability in business circles of Toledo.

In Detroit, Michigan, on the 4th of June, 1901, Mr. Lindow was married to Miss Lillian Cherry, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cherry of Toledo, and they have become the parents of two children, a son and a daughter. Irving L. Lindow, the elder, was born July 2, 1902, and after finishing his public school training he entered Toledo University, from which he was graduated in 1922, on the completion of a course in civil engineering. He is now a wireless operator on one of the steamers plying the Great Lakes. Lillian Ruth Lindow was born October 25, 1907, and is a senior at the Scott high school of this city.

Mr. Lindow and his father are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which the latter has held every office and is now a member of its board of trustees. The son is a republican in his political views and in the Masonic order he has taken the chapter degrees, while he is also a member of the Exchange Club. Mr. Lindow has never been unmindful of the duties of citizenship, nor of his obligations toward his fellowmen. At the same time he has carefully controlled his business affairs and is now an active factor in the ownership and management of one of the important industrial enterprises of Toledo. He is recognized as a capable business man and progressive citizen and is accorded the respect and esteem of an extensive circle of friends.

LOMAN BROOKS SECOR

Loman Brooks Secor, who is at the head of the Secor & Manley Company, maintaining a secret service organization and bureau of investigation, is a native of of the neighboring state of Michigan, his birth having occurred in Midland, on the 23d of March, 1884. He is a son of Dr. Thomas Jefferson and Mary E. (Brooks) Secor. No event of special importance occurred to vary the routine of life for him in his youthful days, his time being largely passed in the work of the schoolroom, as he pursued his education in the grades and in the high school. He was a young man of thirty-three years when in 1917 he came to Toledo and organized the Secor & Manley Company.

The Secor & Manley Company maintains a secret service organization and a bureau of investigation for firms, banks, railroads, attorneys, corporations and

others. It has representatives not only throughout the United States but also in various European countries, in Canada, in Mexico and other places. The business has been worked up along most systematic lines and the great organization enables the company to do the most efficient and thorough investigating and secret service work. From the beginning Mr. Secor has been president of this concern, which today has a large clientele.

In December, 1910, Mr. Secor was married to Miss Maud L. Reed of Linesburg, Michigan, and they had one child, Eleanor Margaret. The wife and mother passed away February 14, 1922, her death being deeply regretted by many friends as well as by her immediate family. Mr. Secor devotes the greater part of his time and attention to his profession and in 1921 he organized the National Association of Secret Service Men in order to bring the representatives of the profession into closer relations, to render their work more effective and to raise the standards of service. He is also an interested and active member of the Kiwanis Club.

JAY K. SECOR

Jay K. Secor long occupied a conspicuous position in financial circles of Toledo as senior member of the firm of Secor & Bell. He was born in this city on the 28th of April, 1873, his parents being James and Charlotte A. (Steele) Secor. The father was for many years closely associated with the wholesale grocery trade in Toledo and also with the banking business of the city, his efforts contributing in substantial measure to the work of development and progress here.

In the acquirement of an education Jay K. Secor attended the public schools of Toledo and for two years was a student in the Phillips Andover Academy in Massachusetts, one of the leading preparatory schools of the east. He made his initial step in the business world in the service of the Northern National Bank, with which institution he was connected in various capacities for seven years. Subsequently he was engaged in the oil business for about eighteen months and then became a partner of James Brown Bell as senior member of the firm of Secor & Bell. In 1920 the firm became Secor, Bell & Beckwith.

Mr. Secor was very prominent in promoting the erection of the Secor Hotel, named in his honor, which was opened in 1908. He was president of the company that built and owns the structure, was likewise the chief executive officer of the Citizens Ice Company, vice president and director of the Northern National Bank and a director of the W. L. Milner Company department store. His cooperation was considered a valuable asset in the successful control of important commercial and financial interests, for he enjoyed an enviable and well deserved reputation as one of the leading and representative business men of his native city. Mr. Secor manifested a deep interest in all philanthropic and charitable movements and took a leading part in the organization of the first Red Cross campaign and as chairman led the resulting highly successful drive.

On the 28th of April, 1898, Mr. Secor was united in marriage to Miss Mary Young Barnes, daughter of George W. Barnes, and they became the parents of four children: James Jay, who was a student at the Berkshire school in Massachusetts at the outbreak of the World war, saw service overseas as a second lieutenant in the Fourth Division in both France and Germany, being in the Army of Occupation in the latter country. He was discharged in May, 1919, and is now

connected with the firm of Bell & Beckwith. The other children of the family are, Virginia, George B. and Jay K., Jr.

In his political views Mr. Secor was a republican but neither sought nor desired office as a reward for party fealty. His interest in community welfare was manifest in his connection with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He also held membership in the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club, the Castalia Fishing Club, the Erie Shooting Club, the National Golf Club of America and the Ohio Society of New York. He died February 21, 1921, at Bocagrande, Florida, aged forty-eight years.

LOUIS SAMUEL OTTENHEIMER

In financial circles in Toledo, Louis Samuel Ottenheimer is a familiar figure and along many lines of business he has become widely and prominently known, his progressiveness and his initiative leading him into important relations, the public being a large beneficiary of his activity, while his own fortunes have also been greatly advanced thereby. Mr. Ottenheimer was born in Chicago, September 27, 1870, his parents being Leopold and Lena (Cassett) Ottenheimer. The father devoted his life to commercial pursuits, conducting a grocery business in that city for a number of years.

Louis S. Ottenheimer became a pupil in the public schools of Chicago at the usual age, and mastered the work of successive grades until he had completed the high school course. He then started out in the business world as assistant in his father's grocery store, with which he was connected for seven years, gaining intimate knowledge of commercial methods and procedure. In 1900 he came to Toledo, where he entered into active association with the Cohen, Friedlander & Martin Company, of which he became secretary. This company was engaged in cloak manufacturing and developed a business of large proportions, with which Mr. Ottenheimer was closely associated in his official capacity until 1920, when he retired. In the meantime he had extended his efforts over a broad field in connection with financial affairs and real estate activity in Toledo. He is now the vice president of the Morris Plan Bank and one of the directors of the First National Bank. He is also treasurer of the Richardson Company, a director of the Toledo Mortgage Company and president of the Redfern Realty Company, which owns the Terminal building. His interests and investments are thus large and varied and in all things he displays a notable discrimination concerning the essential and the non-essential in business affairs. He has ever made quick response to the call of opportunity and has never hesitated where favoring advantage has pointed out the way.

On the 7th of August, 1900, Mr. Ottenheimer was united in marriage to Miss Harriet Cohen, a daughter of A. S. Cohen. Mr. and Mrs. Ottenheimer have one son, Lester, usually known as Jack, who was born August 6, 1903, and is now a student in the Milford School at Milford, Connecticut. That Mr. Ottenheimer is interested in public welfare is indicated by his active service as treasurer and one of the trustees of the Toledo Hospital, which has benefited by his sound business judgment and capable management. He belongs to the Redford Club and to the Phoenix Club of Detroit and is particularly fond of a game of golf, to which he largely turns for rest and recreation.

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